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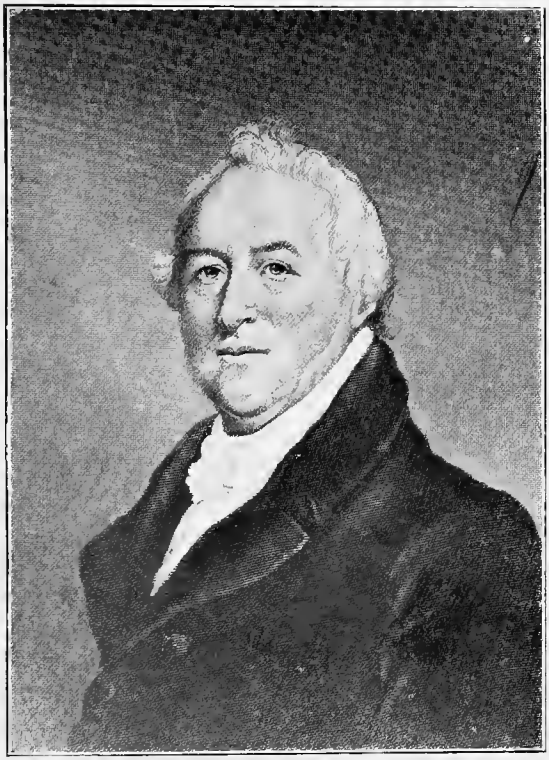

Wm. Hull

INTRODUCTION.

On June 11, 1805, the village of Detroit was reduced to ashes. The real cause of the fire was never discovered, but it was attributed to the carelessness of someone who lighted a "segar" in the stable of John Harvey's bakery, near the center of the town. The fire broke out about 9 a. m., and by noon only two buildings were left standing. Even the citadel, which was quite detached from the town and contained barracks, officers quarters and contractors' stores, was wiped out. Detroit at that time was the seat of government of the Territory and contained about 300 houses built of wood and all huddled together within the space now bounded by Griswold, Cass and Larned Streets.

Congress, by an act of January 11, 1805, had set off Michigan as a separate territory and had appointed Gen. William Hull, governor of the new territory, Rev. Stanley Griswold, secretary, and Augustus B. Woodward and Frederick Bates, judges. This act was not to go into effect until July 1, 1805, and the new officers were to enter upon their duties at that time; therefore it was this scene of desolation and confusion which confronted them.

Bates had been living in Detroit prior to the fire and was in business there. Judge Woodward arrived on the 29th of June, and Governor Hull the evening of July 1st, in company with Secretary Griswold. Upon their arrival they found that the inhabitants had begun to lay out a new town nearly on the lines of the old one, but including the "common," which they had used as a common pasture since the settlement of the country. Hull and Woodward persuaded them against such a plan and showed them the advisability of enlarging the town, widening the streets and making a more beautiful place. They agreed to wait for the governor and judges to draw up a plan. In a letter to Madison, August 3rd, 1805, Hull writes: "We immediately fixed up a plan, and employed the best surveyor we could find in the country to lay out the streets, squares and lots. If possible the plan shall be transmitted by this conveyance. I hope it will be approved by the government. The principal part of the grounds embraced by the plan belong to the United States without a question. Many of the lots in the old town are cut up by the streets, which has

reduced us to the necessity of exchanging them for lots on the domain or common. We have likewise from the necessity of the case, concluded to sell as many lots on the domain or common as will be necessary for the accommodation of those citizens who wish to build this town, and did not own lots in the town. This rule, however, we make expressly subject to the ratification of congress. We think we have great reason to believe our conduct will be approved; because we obtain two important objects by it; first, a town or city laid out on a regular plan; secondly, the accommodation of those people who have suffered by the late calamity. And I have no doubt, but a third will be obtained, viz, the value of the land of the United States, will be greatly increased." (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 31, *pp.* 524-525.) The plan as drawn up was presented to the people and signed on July 19, 1805, by some twenty odd who had suffered losses in the destruction of the town. Comparing this with a list of property owners (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 36, *p.* 114) who had made a return of their losses on June 24, 1805, there were some who had not been reckoned with. Some of the inhabitants, destitute of shelter and seeing that the government had no authority to give them immediate help in selecting a site, rebuilt on their former ground; others took possession of the public lands, trusting to the liberality of the government to either make them a donation of the ground as a compensation for their sufferings, or to accept a very moderate price for it. They did not all agree upon the plan drawn up by the governor and judges and there was no civil authority to decide claims or pass upon a plan to be adopted. However, Hull proceeded with his plan for the new town; had it surveyed and laid out, and lots were advertised for sale with the understanding that all titles were subject to the approval of congress. "Where the purchaser of a lot was a proprietor in the old town, he was at liberty to extinguish his former property in his new acquisition, foot for foot, and was expected to pay only for the surplus, at the rate expressed in his bid," reported Hull and Woodward, October 10, 1805. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 36, *p.* 105.) They went on to say that part of the inhabitants of the old town were only tenants, as there had been no means of acquiring any new titles. The sale of lots was not to be confined to former proprietors, but as far as possible to former inhabitants. After the sale of a considerable part by auction

the rest was to be disposed of by private contract. As soon as the necessities of the inhabitants were accommodated the sales were to stop until they could learn the pleasure of the government. No titles could be confirmed and no money was to be taken until the expiration of a year. In that time Hull hoped that congress would have had time to act. Thus the inhabitants were enabled to erect buildings in order to shelter themselves from the approaching winter. On the 11th of October, Hull found it necessary to return to his home in Newton, Mass., but wrote Madison that he would be in Washington the beginning of winter (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 31, *p.* 540) in order to propose measures for the good of the Territory. During his absence Stanley Griswold was acting governor. Chief Justice Woodward left for Washington at the same time. Their report was presented by President Jefferson to congress, December 23, 1805. It dragged along, nothing was done, and finally on January 24, 1806, Hull went on to Massachusetts. On April 30, 1806, he wrote from Albany, on his way to Detroit, picturing the discontent of the people of the Territory if he should return without having accomplished anything in their behalf. Woodward had remained in Washington, working with the committee appointed to report on the Michigan affairs. (*Territories, Woodward's letter, March* 12, 1806.) On April 2nd, 1806, an "act to provide for the adjustment of titles of land in the Territory of Michigan and other purposes" was passed by the house. In the senate it was amended April 19th and sent back to the house, where it was passed as amended, "An act to provide for the adjustment of titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," April 21st, 1806.

In June, Hull returned to Detroit and was greeted with addresses of welcome and congratulation. Woodward and John Griffin, a newly-appointed judge, arrived somewhat later, and on the 6th of September, 1806, the board of commissioners commenced their work under the act of congress of April 21, 1806. This meeting was held at Hull's house, which was one of the first houses erected. Hull, Woodward and Bates were present. Peter Audrain was made secretary and Asa Jones sergeant-at-arms. The first act of the governor and judges was to pass a resolution to lay out and survey a town, and to adjust titles and claims. There is no known map of the town as it was planned by Hull

and Woodward immediately after the fire. Whatever that plan may have been, they now resolved that the basis of the town should be an equilateral triangle having each side 4,000 feet and having each angle bisected by a perpendicular line upon the opposite side, an elaborate plan originating with Judge Woodward. Public squares, spaces, avenues, streets and lanes were laid out. Main Street ran parallel with the river; Court House Avenue, at right angles with it, was the present Woodward Avenue, and East and West Street ran on the lines of Michigan Avenue and Cadillac Square. Military Square was the site of the present Campus Martius and a circus was the site of the present Grand Circus Park.

This plan was a unit which was repeated many times in the original drawing, but as the city grew the idea was abandoned and a more conventional type followed. Only that portion of the city south of Adams Avenue and bounded on the east by Brush Street and on the west by Cass Street shows any trace of Woodward's original plan.

According to the act of 1806, every sufferer by the fire, above seventeen years of age on the 11th of June, 1805, and who lived in the city at the time of the fire, should be granted by the governor and judges a lot not exceeding 5,000 square feet, where they judged most proper. Trouble immediately arose over the location of the donation lots. On November 13, 1806, Hull wrote: "The donees contended that it was the intention of congress that they should have the most valuable lots, and all who had purchased lots from this government, insisted on these lots being considered as donations." (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol* 31, *p.* 569). The board thought the best lots ought not to be given as donations because there were not enough to go around, and immediately passed such resolutions as: "Resolved, that the five lots opposite Scott's, Wilkinson's, Abbott's, Abbott and Smith's and Godfroy, Jr.'s be sold at public auction." These lots were on the east side of what is today Woodward Avenue and extend from the river up about one block. "Resolved, that no lots on the Main Street, on either side of the Main Street, or between the Main Street and the Detroit River, can be given as donations to the sufferers by the fire." "Resolved, that none of the lots on the Court House Avenue, eastward of the court, or any of the corner lots on the Military Square, be given as donations."

"Resolved, that no corner lots be given for a donation." These resolutions drew forth a memorial from the inhabitants of the town, signed by Robert Abbott, John Harvey, Hugh R. Martin, John Gentle and John R. Williams, which was presented October 9, 1806, remonstrating against the system of distributing donation lots. The board of commissioners answered this memorial, inviting the inhabitants to elect a committee authorized to act with the board in devising a better scheme. A report was made and referred to a committee consisting of Judges Woodward and Bates. A classified list of the donees was supplied by John Dodemead and on October 25th the report was brought forward and discussed. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 31, *pp.* 574-583). The discussion resulted in the resignation of Judge Woodward on November 5, 1806. (*Id., Vol.* 31, *pp.* 566-568). No meetings were held from that day until November 10th, when Hull made a resolution alloting the most valuable public lots to those entitled to donations after the necessary public reservations were made. He also presented the following resolution: "Three members not being agreed with respect to the location of donation lots granted by congress to the inhabitants of the Town of Detroit; and that act requiring the concurrence of three members to carry it into effect, any further attempts under the present state of things must apparently be fruitless, no other course but a suspension of our duties under this law seems to present itself, however it may impede the progress of the city, whatever inconvenience it may produce to the inhabitants, or embarrasment to the government, it seems to be dictated by imperious necessity.

"Thereupon, resolved, that the duties of the governor and judges under the act of congress entitled, An act to provide for the adjustment of titles of land in the Town of Detroit, and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes, be suspended." This resolution was, however, postponed for further consideration by Judge Bates. It has the appearance of a concession and probably brought Woodward back, for on the 11th of November he returned, and after making a motion that the resolution passed the day previous respecting what lots shall be allowed for donations be rescinded, he then moved, and it was "Resolved, that to every person who has purchased a lot in the New Town, and who is entitled to a donation, such Lot shall be conveyed as a donation, unless the same may have been disposed of by the person, and

then the payment therefor, shall be to the public treasury; and when a married man has purchased more lots than one, no more than one of them shall be conveyed as a donation; and when a person has purchased, who is not entitled to a donation, the price shall be considered as a donation, and given to the donees as donations." Hull's letter of November 13, 1806, says: "The governor and judges have now agreed on a system which I believe will give general satisfaction. The storms seem to have abated and I presume everything will be tranquil."

On November 15th Woodward presented the plan recommended by the committee.

"All those belonging to the first class, who have improved the lots now in their possession, we conceive, ought to retain them for their donation, or in exchange for an equal quantity of ground in the old town, paying for the surplus feet, agreeable to the conditions of the sale, to wit: two cents for each square foot;

"All lots that the legislative board have disposed of since the act of congress, or remain unsold, together with those that are improved, ought to be numbered, and ballotted by the claimants of the first class, that are not satisfied;

"All those persons who have built dwelling-houses on lots considered to be in the first class, and who are claimants in the second class, shall retain said lots, by paying to the persons in the first class, who draw the lots, two cents for each square foot, in the course of twelve months. Those who are not claimants, having built a dwelling house on a lot in the first class, ought to pay the persons drawing said lot, the same price that the legislative board were to receive;

"It is understood by the committee that the lots for the first class should be those fronting in the Court House Avenue, from the river to the corner lots on the north side of the Main Street, inclusive, and those on the street commonly called Main Street;

"The claimants in the second class ought to have the next choice of the best lots remaining after the first class are satisfied, and to have their claims adjusted on the same system with the first class;

"The claimants in the third class should have the next choice of the best lots remaining after the second class are satisfied, and the system taken to adjust their claims to be the same as recommended for the first class."

This resolution met with approval and was passed.

The work of the commissioners now progressed more smoothly but not without some friction. On November 21, 1806, Governor Hull was appointed a committee to sit during the recess of the board with the power to enquire who were entitled to donations and to assign the same. On January 21, 1807, he made an elaborate report which was passed on the 23rd.

The commissioners met two or three times a week until the 2nd of June, Hull and Woodward frequently differing over the assigning of lots. At the meeting of June 1st, 1807, Woodward was appointed a committee to act during the recess of the board in adjusting the titles and in distributing the donations. On July 18, 1807, he wrote to Madison: "The town titles will be definitely arranged as soon as the military reservation is made. We gave great dissatisfaction in the distribution of the donations. Mr. Bates and myself were clearly of the opinion that the donations should not be suffered to run foul of the adjustments of the ancient titles. The governor gave way to the public storm. As their wish was, however, impracticable in its own nature, not from the mere reluctance of those who were to make the distribution, we have been constantly obliged painfully to tread back upon our steps, and none of us have given satisfaction to the people. Perhaps none could have done it under the jealousies and dissensions prevailing among them. But they would have been more respectful toward their government if it had been steady and firm; on one side desiring nothing wrong, and not to be driven from what they knew to be right on the other." (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 12, *p.* 507).

From June 2, 1807, until October 24, 1808, all records of the board have disappeared. Whether Woodward acted as a committee during all that time is not shown in any papers so far discovered. During this time a quarrel arose between Hull and Griswold. In order to avoid the enmity of either, Woodward took up his residence at River Raisin. From here he wrote on March 8, 1808, that he had had no intercourse with the secretary for sixteen months and with Hull for eight months. He considered Griswold's actions malicious intrigues against Hull with the intent to injure that gentleman's reputation. A few days later came the news of Hull's reappointment as governor of Michigan Territory.

Griswold was soon replaced by Reuben Atwater and peace was restored. On October 24, 1808, the land board resumed its meetings and continued as in the following record.

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of the proceedings of the governor and judges of Michigan, acting as commissioners under an act of congress entitled, "an act[2] to provide for the adjustment of titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," approved on the 21st day of April, 1806.

On Monday, the 24th October, 1808, the governor and judges[3] met as commissioners under the act of congress entitled, "an act to provide for the adjustment of titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes." Present: Gov. William Hull and Judge Witherell, and there being no quorum, they adjourned until tomorrow at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

On Tuesday, the 25th October, 1808, the governor and judges met as commissioners. Present: Gov. William Hull, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

On motion of the governor for the appointment of a president, the commissioners proceeded to make an appointment, whereupon Judge Witherell was called to the chair. Joseph Watson was appointed secretary to the commissioners.

On motion of Governor Hull: Resolved, that the secretary[4] be furnished, at the expense of the commissioners, with a blank-book for the purpose of recording their proceedings.

Dr. William Brown[5] offered four deeds signed by Governor Hull and Judge Woodward[6] (pursuant to the agreement made by Gov. William Hull and Judge Woodward as a committee during the recess of the session of the board of commissioners) for the signature of a third commissioner. The deeds are for:

lot 46, section 7, and lots 7 and 8, section 1
" 7, " 1, " " 59 " 60, " 3 } and the expediency

of signing the said four deeds, which being taken into consideration, was ordered to be postponed for further consideration.

On motion of Judge Griffin: Resolved, that Governor Hull be appointed a committee to confer with Mr. Thomas Smith[7] of Upper Canada, to know on what terms he will undertake the surveying of the Town of Detroit, and that the committee be author-

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Numbers refer to notes in the Appendix.

ized to offer to compensate the said Smith in land in the City of Detroit, or out of the 10,000 acres adjacent thereto.

The application of George Meldrum[8] respecting ground cut off by streets, together with the preparation of his deeds, which application was ordered to be referred to a committee, which committee was ordered to consist of one, and Governor Hull was ordered to be said committee.

And then the commissioners adjourned until tomorrow at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday, the 26th October, the commissioners, not having come together, the secretary adjourned the board until tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday, the 27th October, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Gov. William Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Dr. William Brown's case, which was postponed on the 25th October, was taken up, and thereupon the following deeds were signed to him, viz.:

For lots 7 and 8, section 1 }
" " 59 and 60, " 3 } and for lot 46, section 7.

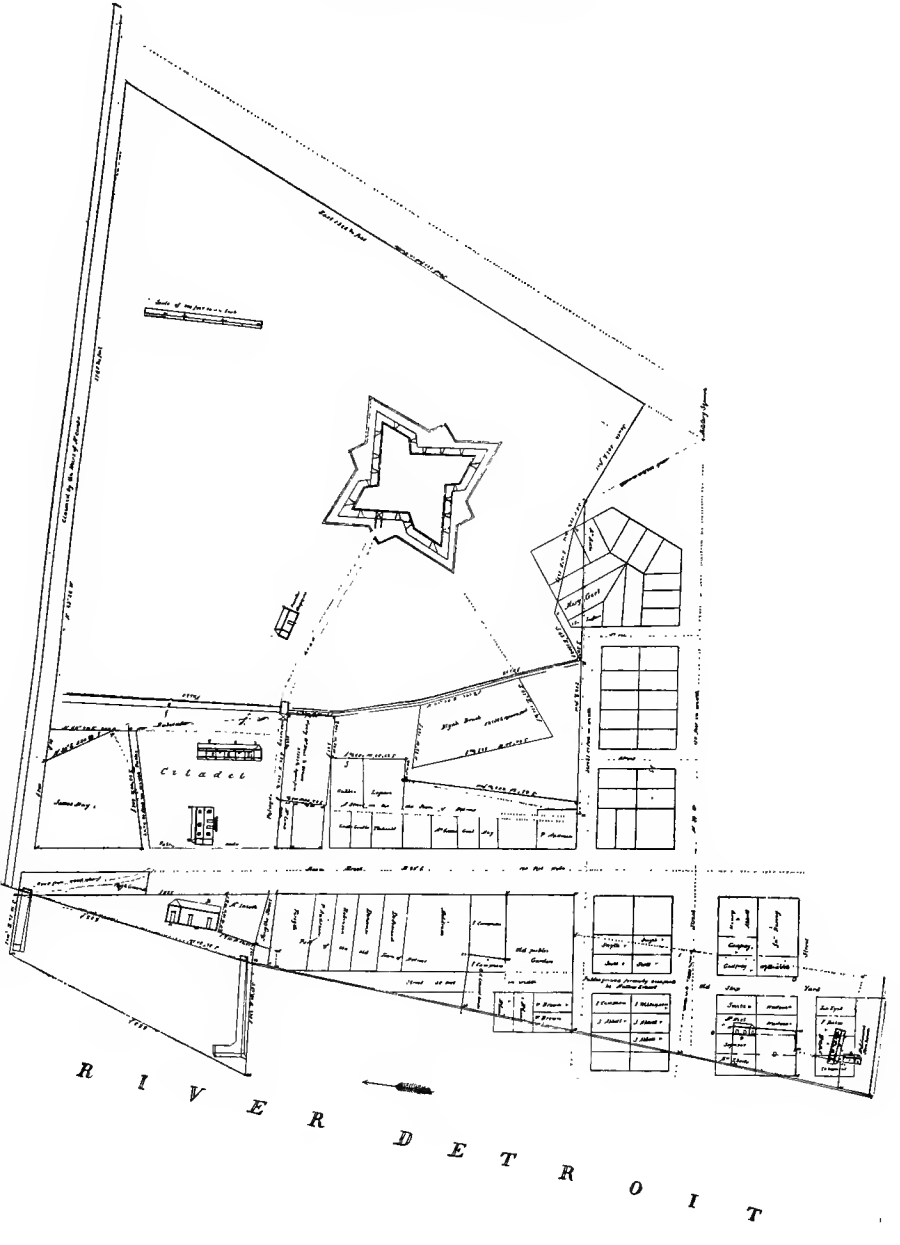
The committee to whom the application of George Meldrum was referred made a report, which report was agreed to by the commissioners, and thereupon ordered that the secretary do prepare deeds in pursuance thereto.

On motion of Governor Hull: Resolved, that there shall be granted to George Meldrum two lots of five thousand feet each, fronting on the water street opposite to the rear of his ground in the City of Detroit, in full satisfaction of two pieces of ground belonging to the said Meldrum, containing six thousand, three hundred and eleven feet and a half, which proposition the said Meldrum has agreed to, provided the said two lots have not been assigned to any other person by the commissioners, which resolution was passed.

On motion of Governor Hull: Resolved, that the provisions in the resolution of the 24th of May, 1807, referring to a resolution of the 7th of May, allowing sixty days for the payment or satisfying the consideration, be extended to the first of January, 1809, which resolution was passed unanimously.

On motion of Governor Hull: Resolved unanimously, that persons having built on lots, and others having purchased lots,

Gov. William Hull's Plan of Detroit in 1809, to Show Military Reservation



which have been elected donation lots, by persons entitled to the same, shall be entitled to deeds, on paying the consideration with interest from the 1st January last to such donees as have elected them, such donees executing a certificate that they have received their donations, according to the act of congress, which resolution was passed.

On motion of Judge Griffin: Resolved, that the president of the board of commissioners, be authorized to write to the secretary of war[9] in the name of the members of the board, requesting that the military reserve[10] might be designated, as the members of the board conceive that they cannot proceed with safety to discharge their duties under the act of congress of the 21st April, 1806, without such selection being made, which resolution was passed.

A deed for lot 100, section 2, was ordered to be made out to Robert Smart,[11] on his filing Robert Fleming's[12] receipt for a donation.

The sergeant-at-arms[13] was ordered to purchase a load of wood on the credit of this board, payable in thirty days from this date.

And the commissioners adjourned until the 29th instant at nine o'clock a. m.

On Saturday, the 29th October, 1808, the secretary received an order from the majority of the commissioners to adjourn the board to Monday, the 7th November, 1808, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday the 7th November, 1808, no board.

On Tuesday the 8th November, 1808, no board.

On Wednesday the 9th November, 1808, no board.

On Thursday the 10th November, 1808, the commissioners met at eleven o'clock in the forenoon. Present: Gov. William Hull, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges, and there being no business before the board, the commissioners adjourned until tomorrow at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Friday, the 11th November, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Gov. William Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Solomon Sibley,[14] Esquire, presented a petition praying that a deed be made out for lot No. 1, section 1, to the heirs of the late William Macomb,[15] which petition being considered there-

upon lot No. 1 in section No. 1 was confirmed to the said heirs as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to James Henry,[16] Esq., for a certain parcel of ground bounded in front by the grand parade, and containing 17,160 square feet.

On Saturday, the 12th November, 1808, the commissioners not having come together, the secretary, pursuant to directions, adjourned the board to Monday next at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday, the 14th November, 1808, the commissioners not having met, the secretary, pursuant to directions, adjourned the board to tomorrow, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Tuesday, the 15th November, 1808, the commissioners not having met, the secretary, pursuant to directions, adjourned the board to tomorrow at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday, the 16th November, 1808, the commissioners not having met, the secretary adjourned the board to tomorrow at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday, the 17th November, 1808, a majority of the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Governor Hull and Judge Griffin; and there being no quorum, they adjourned to Monday, the 21st November, 1808, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday, the 21st November, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

John Baldwin[17] filed his claim to lot 63, section 2, which being considered, thereupon ordered that the claimant cause the same to be surveyed, and a certificate thereof to be returned to the secretary of the commissioners.

James McCloskey,[18] Esquire, surveyor, offered a sketch of a plan laid out at right angles; and thereupon Governor Hull proposed that Mr. McCloskey be requested to complete a plan of the Town of Detroit pursuant to such sketch, which the commissioners agreed to, Judge Griffin dissenting thereto.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Monday next, the 28th instant, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday, the 28th November, 1808, the commissioners met at nine in the forenoon, pursuant to adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Governor Hull offered an order directing the surveyor to survey the lands granted by congress to this Territory, for the purpose of building a jail and court house,[19] which order being taken into consideration, was postponed to Thursday next.

Governor Hull proposed the following order: Ordered, that all official reports of the governor and judges, as commissioners under the act of congress of the 21st of April, 1806, entitled, "An act to provide for the adjustment of titles of lands, in the Town of Detroit, and the Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes" shall be signed by the presiding officer thereof, and attested by the person acting as secretary to the governor and judges in their capacity as commissioners aforesaid, any practice to the contrary, heretofore, notwithstanding, which order passed unanimously.

Governor Hull offered the following order: Ordered, that all monies paid for lots, which have been assigned as donation lots,[20] shall be retained by the secretary of the board of commissioners subject to the orders of the board, which order was passed.

A deed was signed to John McComb, William McComb, and David McComb, as heirs of William McComb, deceased, for lot No. 1, section 1, as a donation lot.

A petition was filed by the widow Girardin,[21] claiming lot 51, section 3, as a donation lot, and Richard Smith[22] also filed a petition for the same lot as a donation lot for his wife, whereupon the commissioners confirmed the said lot to the widow Girardin, Richard Smith being, however, entitled to the deed therefore, provided he pays to the said widow Girardin on or before the 1st day of January, 1809, at the rate of two cents per foot, for each square foot of ground therein contained.

A deed was signed to Mary Abbott,[23] for lot No. 2, section 1, as a donation lot.

Jean Lagard[24] filed a notice, claiming lot 66, section 1, as his donation lot, and it appearing to the commissioners that Mrs. Sibley[25] has located on the same as her donation, thereupon ordered that the same be granted to Mrs. Sibley as her donation lot.

A deed was signed to Robert Smart, for lot 100, section 2, and ordered to be delivered the said Smart on his filing Robert Fleming's receipt for a donation lot.

A deed was signed to George Meldrum for a certain parcel of ground situate in the ship yard, containing 17,037 square feet.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Wednesday at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday the 30th November, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Governor Hull and Judge Griffin; and there being no quorum adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday the 1st December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

On motion of Governor Hull: Ordered, that persons who have purchased lots in the City of Detroit, which have been elected as donation lots, and the donee is to receive the consideration, instead of the lot shall pay the consideration to the secretary of the board, previous to receiving their deeds, or produce a receipt from the donee previous to receiving the same.

A deed was signed to Jean Baptiste Durette,[26] for lot 11, section 4, he having paid to the commissioners $100, which sum is to be paid to Mathew Donovan[27] on his filing a receipt for his donation lot.

A deed was signed to George Meldrum for a certain parcel of ground situate in the old Town of Detroit near the Merchants' wharf,[28] containing 7,150 square feet.

And then the commissioners adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Friday the 2d December, 1808, the commissioners not having met, the secretary, agreeable to direction, adjourned the board to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Saturday the 3d December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges; and there being no business, adjourned to Monday at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday the 5th December, 1808, the commissioners not having met, the secretary, pursuant to directions, adjourned the board to tomorrow at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Tuesday the 6th December, 1808, the commissioners not having come together, the secretary, pursuant to directions, adjourned the board to tomorrow at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday, the 7th December, 1808, the commissioners not having met, the secretary, pursuant to directions, adjourned the board to tomorrow at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday the 8th December, 1808, the commissioners not having met pursuant to adjournment, the secretary, agreeable to directions, adjourned the board to tomorrow at nine in the forenoon.

On Friday the 9th December, 1808, the commissioners not having come together, the secretary, in conformity to directions, adjourned the board to tomorrow at nine in the forenoon.

On Saturday the 10th December, 1808, the commissioners not having convened, the secretary, pursuant to directions, adjourned the board to Monday at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday the 12th December, 1808, the commissioners not having met, the secretary adjourned the board to tomorrow at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Tuesday the 13th December, 1808, the commissioners not having met, the secretary adjourned the board to tomorrow at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday the 14th December, 1808, the commissioners met at eleven o'clock in the forenoon. Present: Governor Hull, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

The order directing a survey of the lands granted by congress to this Territory was taken into consideration, and was passed in the words following:

Ordered, that Mr. McCroskey[29] be requested to survey the lands granted by congress to this Territory, for the purpose of building a jail and court-house, and that he commence his survey northwest of the street,[30] which runs thro' the Grand Circus, parallel with the main street; that he shall there begin with lots of five acres, and increase the size of the lots as he proceeds, that he shall observe such directions, as he shall receive from time to time, from the commissioners, or a majority of them, and that he be entitled to the same compensation, as is allowed by congress to the surveyor of the United States for surveying the public lands of the United States, and that he receive his compensation in the proceeds of the ten thousand acres granted by congress as aforesaid.

The secretary filed Mathew Donavan's certificate stating he is satisfied for his donation lot under the act of congress of the 21st April, 1806.

The accounts of Elijah Brush[31] as treasurer of the Detroit Fund[32] together with a communication were presented and referred to a committee with instructions to inquire into the correctness thereof, and make report thereon; and Governor Hull was ordered to be said committee; on the subject of the communication, the following order was entered into: Ordered, that the demands due from the Detroit Fund shall be provided for as speedily as practicable, and discharged by the first monies which shall be paid into its treasury.

The commissioners proceed to appoint a treasurer of the Detroit Fund by ballot, and Elijah Brush, Esquire, was appointed.

Henry Hudson[33] filed an application for lot 70, section 4, as his donation lot, which application being taken into consideration, was postponed for further consideration.

The application of John Conner[34] and Mrs. Urcelle Cadorette[35] for lot 65, section 2, which lot has been enclosed by John Gentle,[36] were severally taken into consideration, and thereupon ordered, first, that John Gentle is not entitled to a donation lot; and second, that a deed be signed to Urcelle Cadorette for said lot.

The application of John Lagard and Mrs. Sarah Abbott,[37] for lot 57, section 3, being taken into consideration, thereupon ordered that the said lot be confirmed to said John Lagard, the aforesaid Mrs. Abbott, however, being entitled to the deed for said lot provided she files with the secretary a receipt of said Lagard for his donation lot.

John Baldwin, pursuant to the order of the 21st November, 1808, filed a certificate with the secretary of lot 63, section 2, and thereupon a deed was signed to him.

On motion of Governor Hull: Ordered, that the surveyor be directed to draft a plat of each of the sections of the City of Detroit, and together with the secretary shall affix on each lot the name of the person who claims it, and that whenever a deed be signed to any person, the secretary do affix the name of such person on the lot so granted.

A deed was signed to Urcelle Cadorette for lot 65, section 2, as her donation lot.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday the 15th December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

On motion of the governor, the following extract of a letter from the secretary of war was ordered to be entered on the journals:

War Department,
November 22d, 1808.

Sir:

I have received your excellency's letters of the 18th, 25th and 28th instant. I had presumed that the military lands had been so designated at this office, in presence of Judge Woodward, as to have obviated any difficulties on that account, in your carrying into effect the law alluded to in yours of the 28th.

And am very respectfully,

Your excellency's obedient servant,
H. DEARBORN.

His Excellency
William Hull.

On motion of Judge Witherell: Ordered, that the order entered into on the 1st December, 1808, on the subject of the consideration being paid to the secretary be rescinded, and in future in like cases the secretary shall give a certificate directed to the treasurer of the Detroit fund stating the sum to be paid, and on the grantee's exhibiting the receipt of the treasurer for such sum, he shall deliver him this deed.

On motion of Governor Hull: Ordered, that the marshal[38] be directed to dispose of the pumps, stone and other articles which have heretofore been furnished for the wells on the commons, and to make due return of the proceeds to the commissioners.

Ordered, that the attorney-general[39] of this Territory be requested to lay before this board in writing his opinion in whom the fee of the lots now is in the City of Detroit which were deeded by the governor and judges of this Territory as commissioners under the act of congress the 21st April, 1806, to the president, directors and company of the Detroit Bank.[40]

Isaac Jones,[41] legal assignee of John Lane, filed his application for lot 97, section 2, which being taken into consideration,

thereupon ordered that he cause the same to be surveyed and a certificate thereof to be returned to the secretary.

David Stone[42] filed his application for lot 98, section 2, and on consideration thereof, ordered that he cause the same to be surveyed and a certificate thereof to be returned to the secretary.

Ordered, that a deed be granted to Mr. Denoyer[43] of the lot in the City of Detroit on which he has built his house, in consideration of his releasing his right to his lot which falls in the street in the old town, and in consideration of his donation lot, which Mr. Denoyer has agreed to. This order agreed to by Pierre Desnoyer.

And then a deed for lot 53, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Alice Wilkinson.[44]

A deed for lot 79, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Jacob Nado.[45]

A deed for lot 70, section 4, was ordered to be issued to Henry Hudson.

A deed for lot 26, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. James Abbott.

A deed for lot 3, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Denoyer.

A deed for lot 23, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Frerot.[46]

A deed for lot 84, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Richard H. Jones.[47]

A deed for lot 32, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Lafoy.[48]

A deed for lot 50, section 2, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Mette.[49]

A deed for lot 24, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Pomp, a negro man.[50]

A deed for lot 98, section 2, was ordered to be issued to David Stone.

A deed for lot 71, section 1, was applied for by Mrs. Cook.[51] And then the commissioners adjourned until Saturday at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Saturday the 17th December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

And then a deed for lot 103, section 2, was ordered to be issued to John Bently.[52]

A deed for lot 59, section 2, was ordered to be issued to Augustin Longdon.[53]

A deed for lot 60, section 2, was ordered to be issued to Archibald Horner.[54]

Charles Poupard,[55] alias Lafleur, applied for a donation lot, whereupon the said Poupard was decided to be entitled to a donation lot.

And then a deed for lot 57, section 4, was ordered to be issued to John Kinsey.[56]

A deed for lot 60, section 4, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Provincal.[57]

A deed for lot 30, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Louis Peltier.[58]

A deed for lot 37, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Anne Provincal.[59]

A deed for lot 44, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Antoine Peltier.[60]

A deed for lot 76, section 7, was ordered to be issued to James Provincal.[61]

A deed for lot 31, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Monnet.[62]

A deed for lot 74, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. McClain.[63]

A deed for lot 67, section 2, was ordered to be issued to C. McNiff.[64]

A deed for lot 39, section 7, was ordered to be issued to John Meldrum.[65]

A deed for lot 50, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Elizabeth McBride.

A deed for lot 37, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Michel Mayet.

A deed for lot 82, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Nowlan.[66]

A deed for lot 39, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Isidore Peltier.[67]

A deed for lot 75, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Cecille Reneau.[68]

A deed for lot 77, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Renette Reneau.[68]

A deed for lot 68, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Robinson.[69]

A deed for lot 36, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Scott.[70]

A deed for lot 33, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Smyth.[71]

A deed for lot 80, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Thibault.[72]

A deed for lot 92, section 1, was ordered to be issued to Louis Thibault, Jr.[73]

A deed for lot 52, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Ephraim Town.

A deed for lot 51, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Sarah Town.

A deed for lot 50, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Jos. Voyer, Jr.[74]

A deed for lot 32, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Voyer.

A deed for lot 34, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Varnet.[75]

A deed for lot 56, section 2, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Watson.[76]

A deed for lot 41, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Welch.[77]

A deed for lot 42, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Margt. Welch.[78]

A deed for lot 27, section 8, was ordered to be issued to William Watson.[70]

A deed for lot 54, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Morice Willermy.[80]

A deed for lot 46, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Samuel Watts.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Monday, the 19th December, 1808, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday, the 19th December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

And then a deed for lot 45, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Harvey.[81]

And the undivided half of lots 1 and 2, section 4, were ordered to be deeded to J. Henry.

On motion of Governor Hull: Ordered, that lot No. 3, in section No. 4, be granted to John Harvey[82] as his donation lot; that lot No. 4, in section No. 4; be granted to him, he paying Mr. Thibault the consideration; that lot No. 60 in section No. 4 be granted to him, he paying Mrs. Provincal the consideration; that he relinquish his right to lot No. 2, in section No. 4, for which he now has a deed by mistake; and thereupon, John Harvey presented Mrs. Provincal's receipt for the consideration, and did also relinquish all his claim to lot No. 2, section 4, and delivered the deed which was given him heretofore by mistake; whereupon deeds were ordered to be issued to John Harvey for lots No. 3 and 60, section No. 4.

And then a deed for lot 31, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Peter Chatron.[83]

A deed for lot 45, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Audrain.[84]

A deed for lot 28, section 8, was ordered to be issued to John Anderson.[85]

A deed for lot 46, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Louis Benjamin.[86]

A deed for lot 71, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Baptiste Allard.[87]

A deed for lot 81, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Peregrine Bantrim.[88]

A deed for lot 83 section 7, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Cloutier.[89]

A deed for lot 93, section 1, was ordered to be issued to Dennis Campau.[90]

A deed for lot 94, section 1, was ordered to be issued to Toussaint Campau.[90]

A deed for lot 6, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Conner.[91]

A deed for lot 34, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Curry.[92]

A deed for lot 50, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Capt. Peter Curry.[93]

A deed for lot 42, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Miss Coté.

A deed for lot 82, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Prisque Coté.[94]

A deed for lot 80, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Bazile Crequi.[95]

A deed for lot 37, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Elizabeth Cooper.[96]

A deed for lot 51, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Joseph Coté.[97]

A deed for lot 48, section 1, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Dodemead.[98]

A deed for lot 54, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Dyson.[99]

A deed for lot 44, section 6, was ordered to be issued Michel Durocher.[100]

A deed for lot 43, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Donavan.[101]

A deed for lot 77, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mary Donavan.[101]

A deed for lot 76, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Sarah Donavan.[101]

A deed for lot 40, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Victoire Fearson.[102]

A deed for lot 21, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Charles Gouin, Jr.[103]

A deed for lot 67, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Robert Glass.[104]

A deed for lot 25, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Angelique Godfroy.[105]

A deed for lot 4, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Gobeye.[106]

A deed for lot 49, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Magdelaine Gobeye.[106]

A deed for lot 5, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Charles Gobeye.[100]

A deed for lot 55, section 2, was ordered to be issued to Francis Gobeye, Jr.[106]

A deed for lot 48, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Baptiste Gobeye.[106]

A deed for lot 43, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Hatch.[107]

A deed for lot 1, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Hudson.

A deed for lot 45, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Harvey.

A deed for lot 79, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Hall.[107a]

A deed for lot 75, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Miss Hall.[107a]

A deed for lot 52, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Elizabeth Horner.

A deed for lot 103, section 2, was ordered to be issued to John Bently.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

On Tuesday, the 20th December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A deed for lot 57, section 2, was ordered to be issued to Nicholas Varnier.

A deed for lot 64, section 2, was ordered to be issued to John Dodemead, Sr.

A deed for lot 66, section 2, was ordered to be issued to James Dodemead.

A deed for lot 63, section 4, was ordered to be issued to Jean Baptiste Picquet.[108]

A deed for lot 74, section 1, was ordered to be issued to Mr. Lasselliere.[109]

A deed for lot 68, section 1, was ordered to be issued to George Smart.[110]

A deed for lot 38, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Zachariah Battles.[111]

A deed for lot 40, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Veronique Crequi.

A deed for lot 29, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Charles F. Girardin.[112]

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday, the 21st December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

And then a deed for lot 51, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Thomas Carr.[113]

A deed for lot 23, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Comparet.[114]

A deed for lot 35, section 8, was ordered to be issued to Widow Jane Clark.

A deed for lot 28, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Francis Clair.[115]

A deed for lot 46, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Louis Ducheneau.[116]

A deed for lot 47, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Pierre Gallerneau.[117]

A deed for lot 40, section 6, was ordered to be issued to Lydia Hullibert.[118]

A deed for lot 81, section 8, was ordered to be issued to George Wech.[119]

A deed for lot 41, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Archibald Lyons.[120]

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday, the 22d December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: Governor Hull; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

On motion of Judge Witherell: Ordered, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund do audit all accounts and demands against said fund which shall be presented to him, and shall give the claimant a certificate of the sum found due, signing the same as treasurer, which certificate, when countersigned by the president of the board of commissioners, under the act of congress of the 21st of April, 1806, the same shall be received by said treasurer in payment for any debts due to the said treasury at the nominal value of said certificate.

On motion of the governor: Ordered, that deeds be granted to Charles Curry[121] and his wife, formerly the wife of Hugh Callaghan,[122] for lot 1 in the third section, and four thousand feet of lot four in the same section, being the residue of said lot, one thousand feet of which has been deeded to Hugh R. Martin,[123]

he paying thirty four dollars and 86/100 towards satisfying Mr. Louis Lonion's[124] for his donation lot before the 1st day of January next, and relinquishing seven thousand two hundred and fifty-seven feet of ground in the old town, which was formerly the estate of Hugh Callaghan.

A deed for lot 52, section 2, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Margaret McNeal.[125]

A deed for lot 30, section 7, was ordered to be issued to Mrs. Julia Legard.[126]

Pursuant to the order of the 15th December, 1808, the attorney-general returned to the commissioners his legal opinion on the question, "in whom the fee of the lots now is in the City of Detroit, which were deeded by the governor and judges as commissioners under the act of congress of the 21st April, 1806, to the president, directors and company of the Detroit Bank," which opinion was ordered to be entered on the journals, and is in the words following:

Territory of Michigan:

The attorney-general of the territory hath been honoured with the receipt of a question, proposed to him by the honorable, the legislature thereof, which if he were to answer in the form that it is presented, without anticipating the wishes of the legislature, he could not but say that the fee of these lots now in the City of Detroit which were deeded by the governor and judges as commissioners under the act of congress of the 21st of April, 1806, to the president, directors and company of the Detroit Bank still remains there; because by the question as it is proposed, it is not shown that there ever has been a transfer of the fee by the said corporation, or that the said corporation hath ever been by any means dissolved or that it has forfeited its charter. But, anticipating the wishes of the legislature on this subject, he has taken the liberty of varying the question and reducing it to such form as to afford an answer to the case as it really is at the present time.

Question: The governor and judges of Michigan, on the 19th day of September, 1806, adopted a law incorporating a bank at Detroit under the name of *The President, Directors, and Company of the Detroit Bank* to whom, as commisioners under the act of the congress of the United States of the 21st April, 1806, they did deed in fee simple absolute, two certain lots of ground

in the City of Detroit, subsequent to this and on the third day of March, 1807, the aforesaid law incorporating the Bank of Detroit aforesaid was negatived by congress by reason whereof the said incorporation became dissolved; the question then is, in whom is the fee of these lots vested that were thus deeded as aforesaid to the corporation, they having never made any disposition of the same.

Answer: There are in general two kinds of incorporations, aggregate and sole; created either by the common law, by legislative authority, as by acts of parliament, by prescription or by charter. To a corporation created by any of the foregoing means, they have incident to them certain things, and that, too, without any express words in their charter to authorize them, as for example, to purchase and alien lands, to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded; so likewise are they liable to lose their corporate franchise and be destroyed in a variety of different ways and means, as for example, in a corporate sole by a reunion with itself, an antecedent corporate right granted out. So likewise in aggregate corporations by surrender, by forfeiture, and last by the dissolution of its corporate franchise by legislative authority which Mr. Blackstone considers as boundless in its operation.

The question, then what is to become of the lands that a corporation thus dissolved were seized and possessed of at the time of its dissolution; these agreeable to the common law of England must revert to the grantor, donor or their heirs, for the law saith the same learned authority, doth always annex a condition to every such grant; that if the corporation be dissolved, the grantor shall have the lands again, because the cause of the grant faileth, which in contemplation of law is only supposed to be made during the life of the corporation and this is said to be the only instance where a reversion can be expected on a grant in fee simple absolute.

With very great respect, I have the honor to be the legislature's most obedient and very humble servant,

E. Brush.

To the Legislature of the Michigan Territory } And then the commissioners adjourned to Friday next at 10 a. m.

On Friday, the 23rd day of December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that lot No. 99, section 2, be granted to the wife of Augustin Longdon as her donation lot, and that the said Augustin Longdon be released from the payment agreeably to the resolutions of the 15th of April, 1807.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Saturday, the 24th December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges,

Lot 50, section 1, was confirmed to Joseph Wilkinson[127] as his donation lot, under the condition that if any person has previously located on the same and shall between this and the signature of the deed prove his title to be better than said Wilkinson's, he is, notwithstanding this confirmation, to be entitled to the same.

Lot 99, section 2, deed ordered to Mrs. Longdon as a donation lot.

Lot 23, section 8, deed ordered to Francois Lepage[128] as a donation lot.

Lot 20, section 8, deed ordered to Abner P. Ackley[129] as a donation lot.

Lot 51, section 2, deed ordered to Catherine Godfroy[130] as a donation lot.

Lot 104, section 3, deed ordered to Peter Bezeau[131] as a donation lot.

Lot 48, section 6, deed ordered to Monique F. Labadi[132] as a donation lot.

Lot 95, section 2, deed ordered to Mrs. Geel[133] as a donation lot.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Monday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday, the 26th December, 1808, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that the lot of William Allen[134] and part of Joseph Campau's lot, both situate in the old town, both of which have been relinquished to the commissioners, be granted to Charles Poupard, alias Lafleur, in order to bring him up to the main street, and which, together with lot 96, section 2, is in full satisfaction of a donation lot to which said Poupard is entitled.

Ordered, that the treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to give a certificate to Robert Abbott,[135] Esq., payable from the Detroit Fund for the sum of $140, which the said Abbott paid at auction for the lot in the old Town of Detroit, which formerly belonged to Mr. Dodemead, with interest.

Ordered, that in consequence of an agreement with Mr. Meldrum and Mr. Campau there shall be granted to Mr. Meldrum that part of Mr. Dodemead's lot which lies in front of his, the said Meldrum's, lot up to the main street, together with the alley between the said Meldrum and Dodemead's lot, as far as the said Meldrum's lot extends, and likewise one-half of the alley between the said Meldrum's and Dodemead's lot, on one side, and the said Campau's on the other side, and there shall likewise be granted to the said Campau, the other half of the said alley, the said Meldrum relinquishing six thousand three hundred and eleven feet of ground which falls into the new street and the said Campau paying thirty dollars for the one-half of the said alley.

Lot 96, section 2, deed ordered to Charles Lafleur as a donation lot.

Lot 38, section 6, deed ordered to Mrs. Cook[136] as a donation lot.

Lot 52, section 1, deed ordered to Isaac Day[137] as a donation lot.

Lot 70, section 4, deed ordered to Henry Hudson as a donation lot.

Lot 53, section 1, deed ordered to Mary Day[137] as a donation lot.

Lot 37, section 7, deed ordered to John Dilhet[138] as a donation lot.

Lot 47, section 7, deed ordered to Thomas Coles[139] as a donation lot.

Lot 72, section 7, deed ordered to Albert Hill[140] as a donation lot.

Lot 93, section 2, deed ordered to James McCloskey as a donation lot.

Lot 38, section 8, deed ordered to Benjamin Chittenden[141] as a donation lot.

Lot 61 }
Lot 62 } Section 3, ordered to David McClain in lieu of old ground and for his donation lot.

An then the commissioners adjourned to Tuesday, the 17th January next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Tuesday, the 17th January, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that a certain parcel of ground lying and being in the City of Detroit, commencing three hundred and eighty feet from the corner commonly called Curry's corner being the old ground claimed by Jos. Campau be confirmed to him; as also an additional strip of ground connected therewith and now the property of the commissioners, be assigned to him in satisfaction of his donation lot.

A deed was signed to Francois Lepage for lot 23, section 8, as his donation lot.

A deed was signed to John Harvey for lot 3, section 4, as his donation lot.

A deed was signed to John Bently for lot 103, section 2, as his donation lot.

A deed was signed to Joseph Campau for lot 58, section 3.

A deed was signed to Joseph Campau for a parcel of ground.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Nancy Geel for lot 95, section 2, as her donation lot.

A deed was signed to David McClain for lots 61 and 62, section 3, in extinguishment of his old ground for his donation lot.

Lot 45, section 8, deed ordered to Robert Munroe[142] as a donation lot.

Lot 26, section 8, deed ordered to John Skeiggs[143] as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Henry Hudson for lot 70, section 4, as his donation lot.

Francois Gobeye filed an account for improvements made on lot 8, section 1, which lot he located on, and has since been assigned to Dr. William Brown, which account was ordered to lie for consideration.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday, the 18th January, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Governor Hull communicated the following letter from the secretary of war:

War Department,
November 26th, 1808.

Sir:

Since my last to your excellency, a letter has been received from Colonel Burbeck[144] relative to the lands to be reserved at Detroit for the military department, which render it expedient for me to request that you will join with him in making definite arrangements on this subject.

I am very respectfully, sir,

His excellency
WILLIAM HULL.

Your obedient servant,
H. DEARBORN.[145]

Judge Griffin offered to the consideration of the board a representation of Matthew Donovan, which was ordered to lie for consideration.

A deed for lot 56, section 2, was signed to Antoine Nevue[146] and was ordered to be delivered him on his filing Mrs. John Watson's assignment of her donation lot.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday, the 19th January, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Charles F. Girardin, administrator to the estate of the late Jacques Girardin, attended the board and exhibited an estimation made by two master masons of the value of a certain well and a certain chimney which were on the lot of the estate in the old town, when he agreed to exchange the same for grounds in the new town, and the commissioners having examined the same, ordered that the approbation by the commissioners of such estimation be manifested by the secretary's signing the same, and transmitting it to the treasurer of the Detroit Fund.

On motion of Governor Hull: Ordered, that a deed be made to Benjamin Woodworth[147] of the land back of the lot granted to Conrade Seek[148] to the alley and running southwesterly to a line with the back part of the carpenter's shop for the Indian Department, he paying at the rate of two cents a foot for the same.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Friday, the 20th January, 1809, the commissioners met agreeable to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A petition of James McCloskey praying for compensation for certain services rendered as surveyor, was presented and thereupon ordered that he be authorized to receive the sum of thirty dollars from Benjamin Woodworth, and give his receipt therefor, which receipt shall be good accounting for said Woodworth in his settlement for a certain parcel of ground sold him yesterday.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Wednesday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday, the 25th January, 1809, the commissioners met agreeable to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Oliver W. Miller[149] made an application for the purchase of an alley which runs through the center of a parcel of ground owned by him within the City of Detroit, which application was ordered to lie for further consideration.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Saturday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Saturday, the 28th January, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A deed was signed to Isaac Jones for lot 97, section 2, and was ordered to be delivered him on his filing John Lane's assignment to Philip Mosher, and Philip Mosher's assignment to him, and on signing a receipt for a donation lot in behalf of said John Lane.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Thursday, the 9th February, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday, the 9th February, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A petition was presented by Elijah Brush, Esq., praying for compensation for past and future services rendered and to be rendered as treasurer of the Detroit Fund, which petition was ordered to lie for consideration.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Friday, the 10th February, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A deed was signed to Hugh R. Martin for lot 49, section 6, and was ordered to be delivered on his filing Michael Fox's[150] receipt for a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Louis Lonion for lot 5, section 1, and was ordered to be delivered on his executing a relinquishment to the governor and judges for a lot situated in the old Town of Detroit formerly owned by John Conner and on his allowing a credit at the rate of two cents per square feet of ground contained in said lot 5, section 1, over and above the quantity of ground contained in the lot to be relinquished on account of one hundred dollars due by the governor and judges to said Lonion in lieu of a donation lot.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Saturday, the 11th February, 1809, the commissioners met agreeable to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Oliver W. Miller having represented that he is grantee of Thomas Smith for lots 8 and 55 and half of lots 9 and 54 in section 4, that one of the original deeds signed to said Smith is imperfect, having but two signatures, and that he is desirous to have all the said parcels of ground deeded to him in a manner that may secure the property he has put to the same; therefore ordered that a deed be signed to him agreeable to his request, and a deed was accordingly signed to him.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Friday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Friday, the 17th February, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A deed was signed to Abraham Geel for lot 63, section 1, to be delivered on his filing Israel Hunt's[151] receipt for a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Archibald Horner for lot 101, section 2, and was ordered to be delivered on his filing Thomas McClure's receipt for a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Hugh R. Martin for lot 58, section 1, and was ordered to be delivered on his filing Joseph Wilkinson's receipt for a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Benj. Woodworth for lot 51, section 4, and ordered to be delivered on his satisfying and paying the sum of fifty-one dollars and twenty cents to the secretary of the commissioners.

A deed was signed to John Kinsie for lot 57, section 4, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Jacques Provincal for lot 76, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Bazile Crequi for lot 80, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Baptiste Gobeye for lot 48, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Antoine Peltier for lot 44, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Magdeleine Coté for lot 42, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Margaret McNeal for lot 52, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Smyth[152] for lot 33, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Michel Duroche for lot 44, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to John Meldrum for lot 39, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Veronique Crequi for lot 40, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Magdeleine Gobeye for lot 49, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Francois Gobeye for lot 55, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Benjamin Chittenden for lot 35, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Victoire Fearson for lot 40, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Elizabeth Curry for lot 34, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Margaret Hanks for lot 78, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Michel Mayet for lot 37, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Peregrien Bantrim for lot 81, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Elizabeth Welch for lot 41, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Renette Reneau for lot 77, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Elizabeth Horner for lot 52, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Elizabeth Cooper for lot 37, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Isaac Ligot for lot 42, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Scott for lot 36, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Donovan for lot 43, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Widow Cloutier for lot 83, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Legard for lot 30, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Archibald Lyons for lot 41, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Jean Dilhet for lot 36, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Zachariah Battles for lot 38, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Anne Provincal for lot 37, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Lydia Hullibert for lot 40, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Elizabeth McBride[153] for lot 50, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Archibald Horner for lot 60, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Jane Cook for lot 38, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Margaret Welch for lot 42, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Pierre Gallerneau for lot 47, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Isidore Peltier for lot 39, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Marianna Monette for lot 31, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Margaret Morrison for lot 27, section 7, as a donation lot.

And the above several deeds were ordered to be delivered on each person signing a receipt for his or her donation lot.

And then the commissioners adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Saturday, the 18th February, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that all persons desirous of purchasing small strips of land which are situated between their houses and improvements and the streets and alleys, are desired immediately to apply to the commissioners for such strips of land, otherwise they will be sold to any person disposed to purchase the same.

And all persons indebted for lands already sold will call on the secretary and comply with the conditions of sale on or before the 2d day of March next, and any person who shall neglect a compliance with this order, will forfeit his right to the said lands.

A deed of confirmation was signed to Elijah Brush in trust for the heirs of Henry Bird,[154] deceased, situated near the Esplanade, containing sixty thousand square feet.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Monday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday, the 20th day of February, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

On motion of Governor Hull: Ordered, that on the 6th day of March next, the commissioners will proceed to the sale of such five-acre lots, etc., of land as have already been laid off beyond the court house circus; and the conditions of payment for the same shall be the one-fourth part in cash; the one-fourth part in

six months, and the remaining half in twelve months from the day of the sale.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Friday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Friday, the 24th day of February, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Elijah Brush's account (for sundry expenses incurred in the fall of 1806 in opening the main street[155] of the new Town of Detroit through his premises) amounting to $122.10, was allowed by the commissioners.

Enoch Page presented an account against the Detroit Fund for services rendered as sergeant-at-arms amounting to $82.37½, which account was allowed by the commissioners.

James McCloskey presented an account against the Detroit Fund for services rendered as surveyor amounting to $62, which account was allowed by the commissioners.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Saturday, the 25th February, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A deed for lot 74, section 4, was ordered to be issued to J. B. Comparet as his donation lot.

A deed for lot 68, section 1, was issued to Robert Smart as the donation lot of George Smart.

A deed was signed to Sol. Sibley for a parcel of ground in the City of Detroit situate near his dwelling house.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Thursday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday, the 2nd day March, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater,[156] Esq., acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund receive in payment for any debts due to the Detroit Fund certificates signed by the president of the board of commissioners, consisting of the governor and judges of the Territory acting under the act of congress of the 21st April, 1806.

Ordered, that a deed issue to Jean Simare[157] for lot 65, in section 4, on his relinquishing that part of his lot which falls into the main street to the governor and judges of Michigan.

The following settlement was made with Mrr. R. and J. Abbott, viz.:

They were allowed the consideration of A. Lafoy's donation lot	$100
They were allowed for monies paid J. Watson for deeds	24
They were allowed for monies paid A. Hull[158] for certificates	9.67
	$133.67
And they allowed the commissioners for a balance due on lot 41, section 3	$ 62.04
They allowed the commissioners for a balance due on lots 1 and 2, section 4	17.08
	$ 79.12

And the president of the commissioners signed to them a certificate stating that there is due them the sum of fifty-four dollars and fifty-five cents.

Ordered, that Wm. McD. Scott, Esq., an auctioneer, (having agreed to perform the sale of the five-acre lots) be allowed 1¼ per cent for selling the same and collecting the one-fourth part required to be paid down, by an order passed on the 20th February, 1809.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Tuesday, the 7th March, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Tuesday, the 7th day of March, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund be authorized to receive in payment for debts due to the fund certificates issued by him, although they may not be indorsed by the original drawee.

Wm. D. Scott, Esq., presented an account audited by the treasurer of the Detroit Fund for expenses incurred in digging public wells, amounting to $134.50, which account was allowed by the commissioners, and the president of the commissioners executed an order on the treasurer of the Detroit Fund.

Ordered, that George Meldrum be paid from the Detroit Fund seventy-five dollars for damages as assessed by a jury for moving certain buildings of his which fell into the streets of the new town; and thereupon a certificate of the justness of the claim bearing No. 6 was signed by the president of the commissioners and issued to said Meldrum.

A certificate No. 5 was signed by the president of the commissioners to Elijah Brush for $122.10, which sum was allowed on the 24th February last.

A certificate, No. 7, was signed by the president to James May[159] for $17.50 for rent of a house for the use of the commissioners from the 7th May, 1807, to the 24th August.

James May applied for a rebate of interest charged him by the secretary of the commissioners, acting under their orders and authorization in a settlement of claims in the old town; whereupon ordered that the commissioners will not in no case thus warranted by those orders grant a remission of the interest.

A deed was signed to Jane McClemens[160] for lot 81, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Peter Chatron for lot 31, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Alice Conner for lot 6, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mary Denoyer for lot 3, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Isaac and Mary Day for lots 52 and 53, section 1, as donation lots.

A deed was signed to Ann Dyson for lot 54, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Charles F. Girardin for lot 29, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Charles Gobeye for lot 5, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Angelique Godfroy for lot 25, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Marie Rose Gobeye for lot 4, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Rachel Hatch for lot 43, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Sally Harvey for lot 45, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mary Hudson for lot 1, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Monique Labadie for lot 48, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Sarah Nowlan for lot 82, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Therese Peltier for lot 30, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Charles Poupard for lot 96, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to William Scott as administrator to the estate of Thomas Carr, deceased as a donation lot, 51, section 7.

Wm. Scott, as administrator to the estate of Denis Sweeney, deceased, lot 2, section 8.

Wm. Scott, as administrator to John Skiggs, for lot 26, section 8, as a donation lot.

Wm. Scott, as administrator to Agnese Vernet, for lot 34, section 8, as a donation lot.

Wm. Scott, as administrator to David Stone, for lot 98, section 2, as a donation lot.

Wm. Scott, as administrator to Joseph Voyer, Jr., for lot 52, section 8, as a donation lot.

Wm. Scott, as administrator to Alice Wilkinson, for lot 53, section 8, as a donation lot.

Wm. Scott, as administrator to William Watson, for lot 27, section 8, as a donation lot.

Wm. Scott, as administrator to Samuel Watts, for lot 46, section 8, as a donation lot.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Monday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday, the 13th day March, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A certificate, No. 8, was signed by the president to Francois Gobeye, Sr., for $100 in lieu of a donation lot, to which he is entitled under an act of congress.

A deed was signed to George Meldrum for a parcel of ground near his ground in the old town, containing 4,830 square feet.

A deed was signed to Joseph Voyer, Jr., for lot 32, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Robert Munroe for lot 45, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Pierre Bezeau for lot 8, section 8, as a donation lot.

And then the commissioners adjourned sine die.

NOTE—For the original minutes of all the proceedings in this book up to this date (viz., from October 24, 1808, to March 13, 1809) see "Rough Minutes" No. 2A.

On Wednesday, the 15th day of March, 1809, the commissioners met agreeable to their adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that Conrad Teneyck[161] have a deed for lot 71, section 4, on his signing a receipt for his donation lot and paying the sum of twenty dollars.

Enoch Page presented an account for expenses incurred in going after the surveyor to Brownstown amounting to $3.50, which account was allowed and an order was signed by the president therefore.

A deed was ordered to be issued to Frederick Bates, Esq., for lot 72, section 4, as a donation lot.

A deed was ordered to be issued in pursuance to the recorded plan to William Flanagan,[162] grantee to Joseph Hosford[163] (a donee) for lot 73, section 1, and also a deed for a certain lot adjoining lot 12, section 1, on the northeast side thereof being 11 feet in front by 100 in depth on his paying the sum of two dollars.

A deed was ordered to be issued to Hugh R. Martin and Conrad Teneyck for lot 95, section 1, on their filing James McCloskey's receipt for a donation lot.

And then the commissioners adjourned to tomorrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday, the 16th March, 1809, the commissioners met agreeable to adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Solomon Sibley, Esq., presented a petition as attorney to Charles Jouett, grantee of James Dodemead, praying that lot 4, section 2, be conveyed to the said Jouett on his paying the rate

established in other cases; whereupon, ordered, that said lot be conveyed as aforesaid on said Jouett's paying $120 therefore.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Saturday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Saturday, the 18th March, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

The claim of the heirs of William McComb and Angus Mackintosh[164] to a certain parcel of ground known under the name of "Public Garden" in extinguishment of ground in the old town of Detroit, was taken into consideration, and thereupon ordered that it is not expedient to grant the request of the claimants; whereupon Angus Mackintosh, in behalf of the heirs of McComb and self, applied for deeds of confirmation for their ground in the old town, which application the commissioners agreed to grant, Judge Griffin dissenting thereto, because part of the ground falls in a street as established by the plan of Detroit.

A deed was signed to Baptiste Allard for lot 71, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Louis Benjamin for lot 46, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Frederick Bates, Esq., for lot 72, section 4, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to J. Bt. Comparet for lot 74, section 4, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Joseph Coté for lot 51, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to James Dodemead for lot 66, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Miss Sarah Donovan for lot 76, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Miss Mary Donovan for lot 77, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to John Dodemead, Sr., for lot 64, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Jane Dodemead for lot 48, section 1, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Donovan for lot 43, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Frerort for lot 23, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to William Flanagan for lot 73, section 1, as a donation lot as grantee of Joseph Hosford.

A deed was signed to William Flanagan for part of lot 12, section 1, for ground taken off lot 73, section 1, by a street.

A deed was signed to Robert Glass[164a] for lot 70, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Miss Catherine Godfroy for lot 51, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Henry Hudson for lot 69, section 4, by purchase.

A deed was signed to Albert Hill for lot 72, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Miss Hall for lot 75, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Hall for lot 79, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Richard Hall Jones for lot 84, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to John Kinsie for a parcel of ground in the old town, confirmation.

A deed was signed to Hugh R. Martin and Conrad Teneyck for lot 95, section 1, as a donation lot and as grantees of Jas. McCloskey.

A deed was signed to Mrs. McNiff for lot 73, section 4, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Miss Catherine McNiff for lot 67, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. McClain for lot 74, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to James McGill[165] for lots 50 and 57, section 1, lot 53, section 2, and lot 43, section 7, in exchange for old ground.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Mette for lot 50, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Jacob Nado for lot 79, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Thomas Parker[166] for lot 70, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Mary Robinson for lot 68, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Jean Simare for lot 65, section 4, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Thibauld for lot 80, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Conrad Teneyck for lot 71, section 4, as a donation lot, in consideration of $20.

A deed was signed to George Welch for lot 81, section 8, as a donation lot.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Thursday, the 30th March, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Thursday, the 30th March, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to their adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A deed was signed to Isaac Todd[165] for lot 51, section 1, lot 54, section 2, and lot 22, section 7, in exchange for ground.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Wednesday, the 12th April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday, the 12th April 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A deed of confirmation was signed to Elijah Brush in trust for the heirs of William Robertson,[167] deceased, for a certain parcel of ground containing 12,060 square feet lying in the old town of Detroit.

A deed of confirmation was signed to Elijah Brush in trust for the heirs of William Robertson, deceased, for a certain other parcel of ground lying in the old town of Detroit, containing 25,988 square feet of ground.

Pursuant to the directions of the commissioners, their secretary returned his certificate stating that he has examined the original shares in the late Detroit Bank, and finds them all to be regularly transferred to Andrew Dexter, Jr., of Boston, except three hundred thereof, which only appeared to have been transferred from letters exhibited by the late cashier, and also one share which belongs to Augustus B. Woodward has not been transferred; and thereupon the commissioners executed a deed to Andrew Dexter,[168] Jr., for lots 11 and 12, section 1, and or-

dered their secretary to cause to be placed on their files a correct duplicate thereof.

On motion of Judge Witherell: Ordered, that the secretary of the commissioners be directed and authorized to receive from Enoch Page, the serjeant-at-arms, such certificates as he may have signed by the treasurer of the Detroit Fund, the amount thereof with interest and that he be further authorized to retain out of any such monies on account of his own compensation a sum not exceeding one hundred and eighty dollars and to give his receipt therefor, which certificates and receipt shall be sufficient accounting in any payments he may be directed to make to the treasury.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Monday, the 17th April, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

On Monday, the 17th April, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that the treasurer to the Detroit Fund give bond with surety for the faithful performance of that trust in the sum of three thousand dollars, that the bond be taken in the name of secretary of the Territory, his successor or successors in office, for the benefit of the Territory and that the governor be requested to see that the bond be executed and judge of the sufficiency of the surety, among other things, it shall be his duty semi-annually to exhibit and settle his account to the governor and judges in their capacity as commissioners under the act of congress of the 21st April, 1806, which settlement shall be made at the same period which by law requires settlement of the accounts of the treasury of the Territory.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Saturday, the 22nd April, at twelve o'clock in the forenoon.

On Saturday, the 22nd April, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Whereas, on the 18th March, 1809, a deed was issued to Joseph Cote for lot 51, section 8, as his donation lot, and whereas from documents on file lot 102, section 2, was in fact assigned to him as his donation lot, and ought to have been deeded to him, therefore ordered that a deed do issue to him for lot 102, section 2, as his donation lot.

Whereas, on the 15th day of April, 1807, the commissioners did assign unto Augustin Longdon two certain parcels of ground in the City of Detroit, being in section 2, between the premises of Archibald Horner and a street running parallel with the main street contents by estimation 9,000 square feet, he to receive 5,000 feet as his donation lot, and to pay for the balance, now for good considerations, ordered that said Longdon have deeds for said parcels for a nominal consideration.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Wednesday, the 26th of April, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

On Wednesday, the 26th April, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that the secretary do retain the deed which was signed to Frederick Bates on the 18th ultimo for lot 72, section 4.

Ordered, that the treasurer to the Detroit Fund be allowed for his services as such, a sum not exceeding fifty dollars per annum, the first year to commence on the 1st day of April, 1809.

A deed was signed to Pompey Abbott for lot 24, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mary Ball[169] for lot 73, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to John Burnett[170] for lot 83, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Prisque Coté for lot 82, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Abraham Cook[171] for lot 10, section 1, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Dennis Campau for lot 93, section 1, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Toussaint Campau for lot 94, section 1, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Angelique Cadoret[172] for lot 38, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Francois Delisle for lot 66, section 1, he to file Mrs. Sarah Sibley's receipt for a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Henry J. Hunt[173] for lot 69, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to George Hoffman[174] for lot 35, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Archibald Horner for lot 9, section 1, he to file relinquishment of a lot of ground in the old town and to pay.

A deed was signed to Charles Jouett for lot 4, section 2, he to pay $120.

A deed was signed to William McCloskey[175] for lot 41, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Thiophilus Mette[175a] for lot 71, section 1, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Joseph Pinard[176] for lot 76, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Andre Raimond[177] for lot 21, section 8, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Ephraim Town for lot 52, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Sarah Town for lot 51, section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Louis Thibauld for lot 92, section 1, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Elijah Brush for lot 10 part of a parcel of ground[178] sold at auction on the 6th March, 1809, for $——.

A deed was signed to Elijah Brush for lots 19 and 20 for $53.12.

A deed was signed to Elijah Brush for lot 5 for $50.61.

A deed was signed to Barnabas Campau for lot 46 for $27.50.

A deed was signed to Barnabas Campau for lots 59, 60, 61 and 62 for $61.40.

A deed was signed to Abraham Cook for lots 70 and 71 for $16.51.

A deed was signed to Patrick Fitzpatrick[179] for lot 36 for $13.50.

A deed was signed to Jacob Fairman for lot 41 for $20.00.

A deed was signed to Archibald Horner for lots 28 and 29 for $70.00.

A deed was signed to Henry Hudson for lots 30 and 31 for $30.00.

A deed was signed to James May for lots 56, 57 and 58 for $45.92.

A deed was signed to James May for lots 66 and 67 for $22.54.

A deed was signed to James May for lots 82 and 83 for $129.37.

A deed was signed to James May for lots 37, 38 and 39 for $46.25.

A deed was signed to William McCloskey for lots 63, 64 and 65 for $40.52.

A deed was signed to George McDougall[180] for lots 32, 33, 34 and 35 for $50.00.

A deed was signed to John Palmer[181] for lot 81 part of a parcel of ground sold at auction on the 6th March, 1809, for $55.00.

A deed was signed to Jacob Sanders[182] for lot 21 for $21.33.

A deed was signed to Daniel Stevens[183] for lots 51 and 52 for $27.13.

A deed was signed to William Scott for lots 79 and 80 for $75.25.

A deed was signed to William Scott for lot 40 for $20.

A deed was signed to William Scott for lots 11, 12, 13 and 14 for $195.62.

A deed was signed to Richard Smyth for lots 72 and 73 for $23.78.

A deed was signed to Richard Smyth for lots 53 and 54 for $30.50.

A deed was signed to Solomon Sibley for lots 49 and 50 for $24.72.

A deed was signed to Solomon Sibley for lots 22 and 23 for $26.87.

A deed was signed to Solomon Sibley for lots 42 and 43 for $45.62.

A deed was signed to Solomon Sibley for lots 74, 75, 76, 77 and 78 for $123.52.

A deed was signed to Solomon Sibley for lots 8 and 9 for $115.

A deed was signed to Benjamin Woodworth for lots 24, 25, 26 and 27 for $70.

A deed was signed to John Williams[184] for lot 55 for $12.55.

A deed was signed to John Williams for lots 47 and 48 for $31.37.

A deed was signed to John Williams for lots 44 and 45 for $45.62.

A deed was signed to John Williams for lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 for $188.75.

A deed was signed to John Whipple[185] for lots 68 and 69 for $22.20.

And then the commissioners adjourned to Tuesday, 9th May, 1809, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

On Tuesday, the 9th May, 1809, the commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Reuben Attwater, acting governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that the secretary cause the following address and report of progress to be transmitted to the congress of the United States:

"To the honorable congress of the United States: Pursuant to an act of congress, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," the governor and judges of said Territory have laid out a town, including the whole of the old town of Detroit, a plan of which has heretofore been forwarded to the general government, and have commenced the survey of ten thousand acres[186] of public lands adjacent to said town, a plan of which, as soon as it is completed, shall be forwarded to the general government.

In ascertaining and adjusting claims to lots in the old town many difficulties presented themselves on account of the effects of the fire, the extending of the streets beyond their former limits (which were only about twelve or fourteen feet in width) involving private property, and the wants of a definite selection of ground to be reserved for the use of the military department; the object, however, is nearly accomplished, donation lots have been granted to all who have brought their claim within the purview of the said act of congress.

Respectfully submitted,

REUBEN ATTWATER,
Acting Governor of Michigan.
JOHN GRIFFIN and
JAMES WITHERELL.

May the 9th, 1809.

The secretary laid before the commissioners a return of the quit claim deeds which have been signed to the commissioners, whereupon, ordered, that he do take said deeds to the recorder of the District of Huron and Detroit in order that they may be

recorded; also a return of payments made in Detroit Fund certificates for balances due on lots and for the one-fourth amount of the sales of certain lots sold at auction on the 6th March, 1809, whereupon, ordered, that he do return the same to the treasurer of the Detroit Fund, taking his receipt therefore; also an abstract relative to the lots sold at auction on the 6th March, 1809, and the commissioners having examined the same and found it correct; thereupon ordered, that the secretary do take notes for the second and third payments due on the aforesaid sale agreeable thereto, and return the same to the treasurer of the Detroit Fund.

The secretary presented his account for services rendered to this day.

The sergeant-at-arms presented his account for services rendered to this day.

Whereupon the commissioners find that there is due to Joseph Watson, secretary, the sum of $416. And that on account therefore he is chargeable with an assumption in favour of James Anderson[187] ..... $ 90.00
for cash received..... 22.37½

$112.37½
a balance due him of.....$303.62½

And there is due to Enock Page, sergeant-at-arms, the sum of $61.25.

And thereupon it is ordered that the Treasurer of the Detroit Fund be authorized and directed to issue certificates bearing interest from this date for the payment of said sums, on an order signed by the president of the commissioners to that effect.

And then a deed was signed to Sarah Abbott for lot 26, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mary Abbott for lots 1 and 2, section 4, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to James Abbott for lot 57, section 3, to be delivered on his filing J. Legard's receipt for a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Charles and Elizabeth Curry for lot 4, section 3, for old ground.

And then a deed was signed to Magdeleine Coté for lot 61, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Joseph Campau for part of an alley, he to pay George Meldrum $30.

A deed was signed to Hannah Fearson for lot 47, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to James Henry for the undivided half of lots 1 and 2, section 4.

A deed was signed to Augustin Longdon for lot 59, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Mary Longdon for lot 99, section 2, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Catherine Lafoy for lot 32, section 7, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to George Meldrum.

A deed was signed to Michel Monnette for lot 55, section 1.

A deed was signed to William Scott as guardian to the heirs of John Welch, deceased, for lot 67, section 1, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to William Scott, administrator to the estate of Abner P. Ackley, deceased, for lot 20, section 8, as a donation.

A deed was signed to Nicholas Varnet for lot 55, section 2, as a donation.

Joseph Voyer, Jr., presented a power of attorney from Charles Voyer of Quebec and Therese Ecuyer named as devisees in the last will and testament of Joseph Voyer, Sr., deceased, authorizing him, together with William Smith[188] of Amherstburgh, or separately, to receive all inheritances, legacies, bequests, shares, interest, claims and demands which in and by the last will and testament of the said Joseph Voyer, deceased, codicil or otherwise have been given, made, left, bequeathed or devolved appertain or belong unto the said devisees; in consequence whereof, the president of the commissioners signed a certificate for $100, No. 8, stating that there is that sum due to the estate of Joseph Voyer, Sr., deceased, in lieu of a donation lot under the act of congress of the 21st April, 1806, and the commissioners directed their secretary to deliver the same to Joseph Voyer, Jr., on his signing a receipt for the donation lot of said estate.

And then the commissioners adjourned sine die.

On Wednesday, the 27th day of September, 1809, the commissioners met at the hour of ten of the clock in the forenoon. Present: William Hull, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Members present.

A deed was signed to Joseph Coté for lot 102, section 2, agreeable to the order entered into on the twenty-second day of April last.

A deed was signed to Joseph Watson for lot 67, section 4, in the City of Detroit, he having first endorsed on the order signed to him by the president of the commissioners on the 9th May last the sum of eighty dollars.

And then the commissioners adjourned sine die. (See for Continuation of Journal[189] unbound book entitled "Rough Minutes" No. 2B.)

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, November 6th, 1815. Present: Lewis Cass,[190] governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that Solomon Sibley be appointed to investigate all claims under the act of Congress entitled "an act providing for the adjustment of titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," whether the same be for donation lots, for sales made by the governor and judges or for any other matter arising under the said law, and it shall be his duty to record such part of the evidence, both oral and written, as may be necessary to a full understanding of the matter and to report the same together with his opinion thereof to the governor and judges, who shall finally decide thereon.

Resolved, that in the event of the said Solomon Sibley's not accepting the said appointment or in the case of the same becoming vacant, it shall be the duty of the governor to fill the vacancy.

Resolved, that the person executing the duties of the said office shall receive two dollars per day for every day actually engaged in performing the said duties.

Resolved, that application be immediately made to the proper department or office of the general government to have the tract of land mentioned in the said law, surveyed and described by metes and bounds.

Resolved, that the governor be and he is hereby authorized, whenever he shall deem it expedient, to appoint five commissioners, any three of whom shall have power to contract for the disposition of such part of the ten thousand acres of land granted by the act of congress, entitled an act to provide for the adjust ment of titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes, as is not already disposed of or

contracted to be disposed of by the governor and judges of said Territory and as remains after satisfying claims provided for by the first section of the said act, and the said commissioners or any three of them shall be and are hereby authorized to contract for the disposing of said land altogether or in separate tracts, to one or more purchasers, upon such terms in such manner and at such times as they may judge expedient and the said commissioners or any three of them shall be and are hereby authorized to contract for building a court house and jail[191] in the City of Detroit and for the application of the proceeds of said land to the payment thereof, and they shall have power to determine when and where the said court house and jail shall be built; the materials, form and dimensions thereof, superintend and direct the work, and generally to do everything which may be necessary to complete the same. The contracts before they are executed shall be approved by the governor and such of the judges of the supreme court as may be in the Territory at the time the said contracts may be ready for execution. The persons appointed by virtue of this resolution shall not be interested directly or indirectly in either of the said contracts or anything relating thereto. They shall receive such reasonable compensation as the governor and judges may hereafter provide. The governor and judges will convey the said land to the person or persons with whom a contract may be made by virtue of the foregoing resolution at the time and in the manner prescribed by said contract.

(Signed)

LEWIS CASS,
Governor of Michigan.

JOHN GRIFFIN,
one of the Judges of the Ty. M.

J. WITHERELL,
one of the Judges of the Ty. M.

Detroit, November 7, 1815.

Sir: The act of congress of the 21st April, 1806, entitled "an act to provide for the adjustment of lands in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," authorizes the governor and judges of the said Territory to lay out a town, including the whole of the old Town of Detroit and ten thousand acres adjacent, excepting such parts as the president of the United States shall direct to be reserved for the use of the mili-

tary department and to hear, adjust and determine all claims to lots therein and give deeds for the same. These powers have been executed; the military reservation has by the war department, been selected, and the provisions of the first section of the said act have been carried into effect. The second section provides that the land remaining of the said ten thousand acres, after satisfying claims provided for by the first section, shall be disposed of by the governor and judges aforesaid at their discretion, for the purpose of building a court house and jail in the Town of Detroit, a variety of causes arising from the nature of the trust and the situation of the country have till now prevented the application of the fund to the purposes designated by congress. It is our wish to proceed with as much expedition as possible to the disposition of the land, and the erection of the contemplated buildings. To do this it is necessary that the tract should be surveyed, and it appears proper that this should be done by a surveyor authorized by the general government and acting in conjunction with the governor and judges of this Territory, we have therefore the honour to request, that the surveyor general be directed to cause this tract to be surveyed agreeably to the instructions which the surveyor may receive from us. The most proper season for effecting the object is approaching, and by making the necessary arrangements immediately some of the surveyors now in the country, after completing their contracts, might accomplish the business with little expense to the public or inconvenience to themselves.

With great respect, we have the honour to be

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) LEWIS CASS,
Governor of Michigan.

A. B. WOODWARD,
Presiding Judge of the Territory of Michigan.

JOHN GRIFFIN,
One of the Judges of Michigan Territory.

J. WITHERELL,
One of the Judges of Michigan Territory.

The Hon. Josiah Meigs,[192]
Commissioner of the General Land Office.

November 8th, 1815.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that Robert Abbott be appointed treasurer of the Detroit Fund, his compensation to be fifty dollars per annum.

(Signed above)

LEWIS CASS,
Governor of Michigan.
A. B. WOODWARD,
Presiding Judge of the Territory of Michigan.
JOHN GRIFFIN,
One of the Judges of Michigan Territory.
J. WITHERELL,
One of the Judges of Michigan Territory.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the territory of Michigan this seventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin, James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that the five commissioners to be appointed by the governor in conformity with the resolution of the governor and judges of the sixth day of November last be and they are hereby authorized to examine and determine upon the application of persons who have heretofore at public auction purchased out lots and who have neglected to make payment therefore agreeably to the condition of sale; provided, that their final decision shall be submitted to and approved by the governor and such of the judges as are in the Territory at the time such decision is made.

(Signed) LEWIS CASS,
Governor of Michigan.
JOHN GRIFFIN,
One of the Judges of the Territory of Michigan.
WITHERELL,
One of the Judges of the Territory of Michigan.

General Land Office,
26th December, 1815.

Sirs: I have had the honour of receiving your letter of 7th ult., and in conformity with your request, I have instructed the

surveyor general to cause to be surveyed the piece of land adjacent to Detroit, placed at your disposal by the act of 21 April, 1806.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) JOSIAH MEIGS.

His Excellency, the Governor,
Their Honors the Judges,
of Michigan Territory.

Surveyor General's Office,

Chillicothe, January 3rd, 1816.

Dear Sir: I have this day received from the commissioner of the general land office a letter (a copy of which is enclosed) in reference to the act of congress of the 21st March, 1806. I find that the lands embraced by the act are subjected to the entire control of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, and as I presume they have applied to the general land office relative to this business, I have to request that you will afford me any information in your possession by which I may see any duties required of me by law, and how those duties are to be performed relative to this reservation and they shall be immediately attended to. I find in this office a general plat of claims in Michigan, an extract of which I also enclose, presuming those are the lands Mr. Meigs alludes to. I hope, therefore, as Mr. Meigs has not given me the information necessary, that it will be in your power to do so.

With great respect, I am,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) EDWARD TIFFIN.[193]

His Excellency
Governor Cass,
Detroit.

General Land Office,
26th December, 1815.

Sir: The governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan are desirous that a tract of land adjacent to the Town of Detroit which was (by the act of 21st April, 1806) placed at their disposal should be surveyed this season. You will be pleased to

direct one of your deputies to perform that service agreeably to the provision of said act.

I am, etc., etc.,

(Signed) JOSIAH MEIGS.

E. Tiffin,

Surveyor General,
Chillicothe.

Detroit, January 26, 1816.

Dear Sir: I received by last mail your letter of the 3rd instant and have consulted the judges of the Territory upon the subject of it. Circumstances, public and private, which have occurred in the Territory have prevented the application of the fund given by the act of congress of 21st April, 1806, to the specified objects contemplated by the act. The situation of the country will now justify an immediate attention to the subject and we are very desirous of accomplishing it. The records and public papers of the Territory were destroyed or carried off by the British troops during their temporary occupation of the country. Among them were the maps and plans of survey made by Mr. Greely,[194] duplicates of which are in your office. Unless they can be replaced, the public and private inconvenience will be great. This will account to you for the present governor and judges being ignorant that the form and location of the ten thousand acres granted by the before mentioned act were determined. The object of our letter to the commissioner of the general land office was to procure a survey of this tract. As the United States had granted it and as we were ignorant of its limits being established we thought it correct that their proper officer should be consulted. Otherwise had we attempted its location, it might be said that one of the parties alone could not say what should be the form of the tract and how it should be situated. For upon these points the act is silent, requiring only that the land should be adjacent to the Town of Detroit. But your letter with the accompanying plat has removed this difficulty, as we find these questions are now at rest. You will therefore much oblige us by transmitting a correct plan of the adjacent country including these ten thousand acres, officially certified to be deposited among our records. Should you feel yourself justified in directing Mr. Wampler[195] or some other surveyor to run round this tract it would be very agreeable to us. Permanent corners should be established and

field notes taken and preserved. I every day feel the loss of the plats, which I have mentioned. I should esteem it a particular favour if you could furnish me with copies of them. Indeed, I am at a loss to know how we shall get along without them. We are so anxious to proceed to the erection of the public buildings in the course of the next season, that we are induced to hope you will transmit an answer as soon as convenient.

With much respect, I am,

Your obedient servant.

Hon. Edward Tiffin,
Surveyor General.

Detroit, October 8th, 1816.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes." Present: His Excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Austin Eli Wing[196] was appointed secretary to said board—and it was,

Resolved, that the secretary receive for his annual compensation in full for his services as such two hundred dollars—to be paid semi-annually.

And then the board adjourned until the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes" on the tenth day of October one thousand eight hundred and sixteen. Present: His Excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 10th.

The board took into consideration the expediency of disposing of the whole or a part of the ten thousand acre tract of land lying in the rear of the City of Detroit.

And then adjourned until the eleventh day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, to meet at the government council house.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the eleventh day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at the government council house, pursuant to adjournment. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 11th.

It was resolved that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund be requested to lay before this board a return, exhibiting the amount and particulars of all sums of monies which have been received for ground already disposed of.

The claims of the Roman Catholic church were taken into consideration and it was: Resolved, that Mr. Smith, the surveyor, go on the ground where the foundation of the old Catholic church now lies, and ascertain the quantity of land belonging to the said church, exclusive of that which lies in the public highway, and report the deficiency from the original grant to the said church, if any; also that for whatever deficiency there may be, an equivalent shall be given said church.

Mrs. Dodomeade presented her claim to a certain lot of ground on which David Beard's house now stands, which was taken into consideration, and it was: Resolved, that any person or persons, whose claims might be affected by the result of the investigation, appear on Monday next at half after ten of the clock in the forenoon.

And then the board adjourned until half after ten of the clock in the forenoon on the fourteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States

of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the fourteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at the government council house. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 14th.

The claim of Angus McIntosh was taken into consideration, and thereupon ordered, that the surveyor, Thomas Smith, go upon the ground in question and return a plat thereof, locating the public streets and alleys, and the lots in the rear and the existing wharf, and that the secretary serve him with a copy of this order.

An application was made by William Woodbridge,[197] Esq., on behalf of John Kinzie, for the adjustment of his claim to certain lands now occupied by Stephen Mack.[198]

Abraham Cook applied for a deed to a lot of ground lying between the Brush and McComb farms.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the fifteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to meet again at the government council house.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the fifteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 15th.

It was resolved that the water lots in section numbered three, above Colonel Hunt's,[199] in the City of Detroit, shall be sold. The sale shall take place on Thursday, the twenty-fourth day of the present month of October, between the hours of noon and sunset, at the auction room of James Abbott; two plats of the section shall be deposited there on or before Thursday next for public inspection.

The minimum price shall be two cents per square foot; one-fourth shall be paid within ten days, and one-fourth annually afterwards. A title will be made, on the receipt being exhibited, for the full payment.

If the first payment be not made, the lot shall be forfeited, and if either of the remaining payments be delayed, twelve per cent per annum shall be charged upon it. If any payment shall be delayed two years the lot may be sold; and if it should bring so much, the payments made shall be returned, deducting twelve per cent. Twelve per cent per annum shall be discounted for prompt payment. This order shall be published from the day of its passage until the day of sale.

The following resolution was presented for the consideration of the board by Hon. Augustus Brevoort Woodward, viz.:

That no future deviation shall be made from the original plan of the City of Detroit, as devised and adopted by the governor and judges in the years one thousand eight hundred and five, one thousand eight hundred and six and one thousand eight hundred and seven and reported to congress. All ground hereafter disposed of in quantities exceeding one lot, a five thousand square feet, shall be sold upon this express condition, that the City of Detroit may extend over them, without the purchaser expecting or claiming any compensation, for the avenues, streets, roads, lanes, alleys, squares, circuses and other public spaces and reservation of ground of the said City of Detroit, according to the original plan thereof. Whenever a majority of the proprietors of any such quantity may desire the same, and whenever the same may be required by the competent public authority, so that no title shall ever be considered as vesting in any individual to such avenues, streets, roads, lanes, alleys, squares, circuses or other public spaces and reservations of grounds.

Ordered by the board, that Abraham Cook shall receive a deed agreeable to his application on the fourteenth day of this month to a certain lot of ground as it may be found to lay in the City of Detroit, agreeable to the plat of the town, subject to the following proviso:

That the City of Detroit may extend over it, without his expecting or claiming any compensation for the avenues, streets, roads, lanes, alleys, squares, circuses and other public spaces and reservations of ground of the said City of Detroit according to

the original plan thereof whenever a majority of the proprietors of any such quantity may desire the same, and whenever the same may be required by the competent public authority, so that no title shall ever be considered as vesting in any individual to such avenues, streets, roads, lanes, alleys, squares, circuses and other public spaces and reservations of ground.

Mrs. Chittenden made application for a deed to a certain lot of ground No. 4 in Section No. 3 in the City of Detroit, with the exception of 10 by 100 feet, bounding on lot No. 3 in the same section, and also an equivalent for the surplus of ground belonging to the estate of Hugh Calahan, after deducting the number of square feet contained in the above lot.

Ordered that a deed be granted agreeable to her request, provided she relinquish all claim to the above lot formerly granted to Hugh Calahan and that an equivalent be given her.

Application was made by Gen. Alexander McComb[200] on behalf of Mrs. Isabella McComb, to ascertain the lots which ought to be granted by the governor and judges for the four original lots which belonged to the estate of the late William McComb, deceased.

Ordered that the Surveyor Thomas Smith return a plat of a survey of the above mentioned four lots belonging to the estate of the late William McComb, deceased; exhibiting the relation which the streets, etc., of the town held to them.

Application was made by John R. Walker[201] for deeds to lots No. 28 and 29 in the Town of Detroit.

Ordered that he receive deeds agreeable to his request subject to the following proviso: That the City of Detroit may extend over them, without his expecting or claiming any compensation for the avenues, streets, roads, lanes, alleys, squares, circuses and other public spaces and reservations of ground of the said City of Detroit, according to the original plan thereof, whenever a majority of the proprietors, of any such quantity, may desire the same; and whenever the same may be required by the competent public authority. So that no title shall ever be considered as vesting in any individual to such avenues, streets, roads, lanes, alleys, squares, circuses and other public spaces and reservations of ground.

George McDougall in behalf of Richard Patterson[202] presented a claim to a certain lot of ground, said to lay in the public road in front of the premises now occupied by Mr. Roby[203].

George McDougall, in behalf of Robert Ennis [204] [Innis], executor of Mr. Dunevan [Donovan], presented a claim to a lot said to lie in the public road in front of the premises now occupied by Mr. Roby.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the sixteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to be held again at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the sixteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; August Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 16th.

No business perfected and the board adjourned until tomorrow, the seventeenth day of October one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to be held at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the seventeenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 17th.

The Rev. Gabriel Richard[205] presented his claim to a certain parcel of ground known by the name of Mathew Elliot's lot.[206]

Ordered, that the surveyor return a plat of the same exhibiting what may be thrown into the streets, roads, etc.

The board again took into consideration the claims of the Roman Catholic church, and,

Ordered, that a deed be given to the corporation for a certain lot and parcel of ground, beginning at the western and southern corner of a lot granted to Peter Audrain, now the property of Joseph Campau, and running thence on the course, north 30 degrees, west 200 feet; thence south 60 degrees, west 132 feet; thence south 30 degrees, east 200 feet; thence north 60 degrees, east 132 feet to the beginning. Containing twenty-six thousand four hundred square feet, be the same more or less. And reserving the alleys of the City of Detroit according to the original plan thereof, and all private claims, comprehended within the same.

Also, that a deed be given to lots numbered forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, forty-five, forty-six, forty-seven, eighty-six, eighty-seven, eighty-eight, eighty-nine, ninety, ninety-one, in section No. one.

And for lots numbered forty, forty-one, eighty-four, eighty-five, with this proviso; that, *that* part of the said lots numbered 40, 41, 84, 85, which is now used for a public communication, nothing shall be erected which shall interrupt the said communication anterior to the seventeenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, unless another communication be previously opened.

And also the use of the interior and central triangle of the said section No. one, for the erection of a church[207] provided, if a church be not erected and maintained thereon, the use of the said ground shall revert to the public and in like manner, if a church be not erected and maintained thereon, on or before thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

And provided farther, that no farther interments be made on the said premises after the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

Resolved, also, that two acres of ground be granted upon the commons to said Catholic Church for a graveyard[208], in such place as may hereafter be determined, subject to the future opening of the streets, alleys, etc.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the eighteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to meet again at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the eighteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 18th.

Mrs. Donahoe[209] presented her claim to a certain lot of ground numbered fifty.

Catherine McNiff presented a petition for a deed to a lot in section No. four, on which she now lives, stating that the former deed to said lot granted by the governor and judges, had been mislaid or lost, so that it cannot be found.

Ordered, that a deed be granted agreeable to her requests.

Resolved, that the Surveyor Thomas Smith locate in his return of the water lots in the City of Detroit, those claims to lots which have been already granted.

Richard Smyth made application for a deed to a lot of ground, situate in the rear of his present dwelling house.

Ordered, that a deed be granted to Richard Smyth to lot No. fifty-one, section No. three.

Mrs. Chittenden's claim was again taken into consideration by the Board, and determined that Richard Smyth, James Abbott and James Dodomeade go on to the ground which she claimed in the old town and appraise the well thereon, and that a deed be granted her for a part of lot No. four.

And then the board adjourned until Monday, the twentieth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at eleven of the Clock in the forenoon, to meet again at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the Congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the twenty-first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 21st.

Resolved, that no future deviation shall be made from the original plan of the City of Detroit between the Grand Circus and the River Detroit, as devised and adopted by the governor and judges, in the years one thousand eight hundred and five, one thousand eight hundred and six, and one thousand eight hundred and seven, as reported to congress.

Resolved, that one hundred and thirty dollars, the amount of the appraisement, be allowed to Mrs. Chittenden, as a full compensation for her well, in the Old Town, now in the public highway. And that a deed be granted her for lot No. four, in section No. *three,* with the exception of ten by one hundred feet, bounding on lot No. three in the same section. And also that an equivalent of seven cents per square foot for the surplusage of ground belonging to the estate of Hugh Calahan, after deducting the number of square feet contained in the above lot, be given her.

Benjamin Woodworth made application for deeds to lots numbered twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six and twenty-seven.

Ordered, that Deeds be given him agreeable to his request.

Resolved, that a Deed be given to Benjamin Woodworth for a part of a lot adjoining him upon which the Indian Blacksmith shop[210] formerly stood.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the twenty-second day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at eleven of the Clock in the forenoon, to be held again at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of

Michigan, and for other purposes," on the twenty-second day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Present: His Excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 22nd.

Peter Audrain petitioned the Board for a grant of a water lot in the rear of the house which he now occupies.

Thomas Smith, Surveyor, returned a plat of section No. 4 generally.

And then the Board adjourned until tomorrow, the twenty-third day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at eleven of the Clock in the forenoon, to meet again at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act to provide for the adjustment of titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes, on the twenty-third day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 23rd.

John R. Williams came forward to contest the claims presented by Mrs. Chittenden on the fifteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, to a certain parcel of ground said to belong formerly to Hugh Calahan.

And then the Board adjourned until tomorrow, the twenty-fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon to meet again at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes, on the Twenty-fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to

adjournment. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

October 24th.

The Corporation of the City of Detroit presented a Protest against the order made by the Board on the fifteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, for the sale of water lots in section numbered three above Colonel Hunt's, in the City of Detroit aforesaid.

Signed, "ABRAHAM EDWARDS,[211] *Chairman.*"
"STEPHEN MACK,"
"PETER DESNOYER,"
&
"OLIVER W. MILLER."

Ordered, that the *order* passed on the fifteenth of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, for the sale of the water lots, in section numbered three, above Colonel Hunt's, in the City of Detroit, be rescinded.

Resolved, that this Board adjourn on Thursday, the thirty-first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, unless for good cause then appearing the session should be prolonged.

Thomas Rowland,[212] in behalf of Mrs. Hank petitioned for a deed to a certain lot of ground in the City of Detroit, having a claim to the same.

Ordered, that a deed be given her agreeable to her request.

Solomon Sibley, on behalf of Mrs. Scott, petitioned for a deed to a certain lot of ground in the City of Detroit, she having a claim to the same.

Ordered, that a deed be given her agreeable to her request.

And then the Board adjourned until tomorrow, the twenty-fifth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to meet again at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At the meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the twenty-fifth day

of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen—pursuant to adjournment. Present: Hon. John Griffin, judge.

Not being a quorum, the Board was adjourned until Tuesday, the fifth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, to be held again at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the fifth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Solomon Sibley, in behalf of Robert Smart, remote assignee under David McClain, made application for deeds to lots numbered sixty-one and sixty-two, in section —.[213]

Application was made by Abraham Wendell,[214] in behalf of Jacob G. Sanders, for a deed to lot number twenty-one, in section —.

Resolution presented by Judge Woodward—and after some alterations passed, as follows—viz.:

Resolved, by the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act for the adjustment of the titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes." That the ground lying on Jefferson avenue, in the City of Detroit, adjoining the premises of Joseph Campau and bounded in front by Jefferson avenue, be divided into lots of forty-two and a half feet front on Jefferson Avenue and Woodbridge street, and two lots of forty feet front on Griswold Street, be sold at public auction on Tuesday next. One-fourth of the price to be paid in ten days after the sale and the remainder in three equal annual payments, and if any payment be delayed one year the lot to be forfeited and the monies paid returned, deducting twelve per centum per annum; and if any payment be delayed the purchaser shall pay twelve per cent, and if the whole payments are not made with the interest if any, on or before the day of the last payment, the lot

shall be sold, and the amount returned to the first purchaser after deducting twelve per cent per annum for the fund. And a certificate shall be given to the purchaser by the Secretary stating these terms, and a deed shall not be issued till the payments are completed.

The following resolution was proposed to the Board by Judge Woodward, viz.:

Whereas the act of congress entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," requires certain acts by the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, or any three of them.

Resolved, that so much of the resolution of the ——— day of ——— last authorizing the governor and such of the Judges as may be in the Territory to confirm certain proceedings of the commissioners therein mentioned, be rescinded as would operate to authorize at any time the governor and one judge only to give such confirmation, and as would operate to prevent the three judges from giving such confirmation when the governor and secretary are absent, but such confirmation shall always be pursuant to the act of congress by the governor and judges or any three of them.

The question was taken, whereupon Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, Judges, in the affirmative, and his Excellency, Lewis Cass, in the negative.

Ordered, that lots numbered twenty-seven, thirty, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, sixty-three, sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six, sixty-eight, sixty-nine, seventy, seventy-one, in section nine, be granted to the Corporation of the Catholick Church,[215] together with the use of the streets and alleys between them for a burying ground.

Ordered, that the secretary do receive proposals for erecting a handsome paling painted round the new and old Protestant and Catholick burying grounds[216] and for planting the old Protestant burying ground with trees.

And then the board adjourned until Thursday the seventh day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, to meet again at the same place, eleven o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the seventh day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Were present, his excellency, Lewis Cass, Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, Judges.

No business appearing before the Board, an adjournment was ordered to the thirteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, to be held again at the same place at eleven of the clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the thirteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, pursuant to adjournment. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, Judges.

Ordered, that a donation lot be granted a Mrs. Catherine Donahoe, Devisee of Peter Curry, deceased, who was entitled to a donation lot.

Ordered, that a deed be granted to Henry J. Hunt for the land described in the statement of the surveyor, upon condition that the said Henry J. Hunt produce from Angus McIntosh his relinquishment for all ground which belonged to him in the old town of Detroit, and which by the new plan of said town falls in the streets, and also all lands which he may claim as an equivalent therefor, and the said Henry J. Hunt shall pay to the treasurer of the Detroit Fund the sum of four hundred dollars for the surplus of said ground, upon the same terms as the other lots have been sold except that he pay interest upon the balance from the day of sale.

James Abbott, Auctioneer in the City of Detroit, presented the following return of sales of lots made on the 12th of this month:

Shubael Conant[217] purchased lot No. 7..... 1500
" " " " 6..... 1470

John Stockton[218]	"	"	5	2050
Charley Larned[219]	"	"	48	920
Benj'n Stead[220]	"	"	49	1190
John Stockton	"	"	50	900
E. E.				$8030

JAMES ABBOTT,
Auctioneer.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the 22nd day of November, 1816. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, Judges.

John Palmer[221] made application for a deed to a lot of ground in the town of Detroit numbered 81, purchased at auction 6th March, 1809, subject to the following proviso, that the City of Detroit may extend over it without his expecting or claiming any compensation, for the avenues, streets, roads, lanes, alleys, squares, circusses and other public spaces and reservations of ground of the said City of Detroit according to the original plan thereof whenever a majority of the proprietors of any such quantity may desire the same, and whenever the same may be required by the competent public authority, so that no title shall ever be considered as vesting in any individual to such avenues, streets, roads, lanes, alleys, squares, circusses and other public spaces and reservations of ground.

Ordered, that lots numbered sixteen and seventeen, in section number 2, be granted to William McComb and David B. McComb upon their filing with the secretary the relinquishment of the heirs of John W. McComb and of the said William McComb and David B. McComb, heirs of William McComb, late of Detroit, deceased, for all property in the old Town of Detroit which formerly belonged to the said William McComb, deceased, and upon their paying or causing to be paid to the Treasurer of the Detroit fund, a sum bearing the same proportion to the purchase money of the said lots if they are sold within six months which 1321 bears to 10,000, and to be paid at the same time the said purchase money is to be paid. And, if the said lots are not

sold within six months, then a sum shall be paid to the said treasurer bearing the same proportion to $3,500 which 1321 bears to 10,000, and excepting therefrom so much of lots No. 16 as falls in the alley leading from Welsh's house, by the rear of Thibault & Campau's, to the Citadel Alley, until the alley agreeably to the new plan of the town, in the rear of said lots numbered 16 and 17 shall be opened, and excepting therefrom what may be contained in the military reservation, so long as the same may be used for public purposes.

Ordered, that all the water lots in section number three, and above the public wharf, the property of the Detroit funds, be sold at public auction on Saturday, the 30th instant, at noon, upon the same terms upon which the lots in the public garden were sold with this addition; that six per cent shall be paid upon all sums from the day of sale, and the interest due upon the whole sum at the time any payment is due, shall be paid at the time the said payment is made and under the same penalty—the minimum price of the said lots shall be two cents per foot.

Ordered, that all lots the property of the Detroit fund between Woodward Avenue and the McComb farm be offered for sale at public auction, on Friday, the 6th day of December next, if fair—if not, the next fair day, upon the same terms directed for the sale of the water lots, except that there shall be no minimum price and either member of this Board shall be a committee to superintend the said sale, and if he thinks the lots do not bring a fair price, he is hereby empowered to stop the sale.

Ordered, that the Secretary give the usual public notice of the two preceding orders—

And then the board adjourned to meet on Monday next at 11 o'clock a. m.

A. E. Wing,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act to provide for the adjustment of the Titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the twenty-fifth day of November, 1816. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, Judges.

Peter Audrain made application for a deed to a water lot in the rear of his present dwelling.

James May made application for deeds to ten lots purchased at auction, viz.: Nos. 37, 38, 39, 82, 83, 66, 67, 56, 57, 58. Ordered that deeds be granted to James May agreeable to his request, subject to the following proviso: That the City of Detroit may extend over them, without his expecting or claiming any compensation for the avenues, streets, roads, alleys, lanes, squares, circusses and other public spaces and reservations of ground of the said City of Detroit according to the original plan thereof, whenever a majority of the proprietors of any such quantity may desire the same and whenever the same may be required by the competent public authority; so that no title shall ever be considered as vesting in any individual to such avenues, streets, roads, lanes, alleys, squares, circusses and other public spaces and reservations of ground.

Austin E. Wing, Secretary of the Board, presented an account of stationery, firewood, etc., furnished said Board—$16—which was allowed.

A deed was presented by Henry J. Hunt to lots No. 19 and 20, etc., which was signed by His Excellency, Lewis Cass, Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin—attested by—Austin E. Wing and Thomas Smith, agreeably to the order of the Board on the 13th of November, 1816, to be kept by the secretary till the deeds required by the said order are presented.

A deed was also signed by the governor and judges aforesaid to James Abbott for out lots numbered six and seven

Resolved, that an order be drawn upon the treasurer for forty dollars in favor of James Abbott for his auction fees.

Resolved, that the sum of $8,030, the proceeds of the lots sold on the public garden, so-called, be appropriated to the building of a court house and to no other purpose.

And then the board adjourned till Wednesday, the 27th November instant.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act to provide for the adjustment of titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of

Michigan, and for other purposes," on Wednesday, the 27th day of November, 1816. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, Judges.

Ordered, that a deed be granted to Robert Smart for lots No. 61 and 62, in section No. 3, agreeable to his application by Sol. Sibley on the 5th day of November, 1816.

Ordered that the land between the lot of Peter Audrain whereon he now lives and Woodbridge Street, commencing at the termination of the line between him and the lot whereon John Kinzie lately lived and of the line between him and Abraham Edwards, and running from those points on a course perpendicular to Woodbridge Street to said street, be granted to the said Peter Audrain, provided that Mr. Audrain pays and secures to be paid to the treasurer of the Detroit Fund two cents per foot with interest thereon from the 1st day of January, 1811, for so much of the said ground as is covered with water, and seven cents per foot for the residue in the same manner that the other water lots are directed to be sold.

Deeds were presented by John R. Williams to lots No. 68 and 69 out lots, also to lot No. 57, in section No. 11, which were signed by His Excellency, Lewis Cass; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, Judges—attested by Austin E. Wing and Sol. Sibley.

Application was made by Solomon Sibley in behalf of Robert Smart for a deed to lot No. 82 in section No. 6, containing 6,500 feet.

Ordered that a deed be granted to Robert Smart agreeable to his request.

Ordered that all the water lots belonging to the Detroit Fund, between Woodward Avenue and Bates Street, including the upper tier of lots on Bates Street, be offered for public sale on Saturday, the seventh day of December next, upon the terms which were directed for the sale of the water lots to be sold on Saturday, the 30th instant, and that the secretary give the usual public notice thereof.

Ordered, that a deed be made to Robert Smart agreeably to his application through Sol. Sibley on the 5th day of November, 1816, to lots mentioned, 61 and 62, in section number 3.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next, to be held at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the 3rd day of December, 1816. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, Judges.

Return of Sales of Nineteen Water Lots[222] sold at Public Auction by James Abbott, Auctioneer, in the City of Detroit, on Saturday, 30th of November,

1816.....

	No.		in the			
John R Williams.....	109	1	lot,	City	of Detroit	168
James Abbott	105	1	"	"	"	233
John R. Williams	106	1	"	"	"	101
John R. Williams	110	1	"	"	"	100
Benjamin Stead	103	1	"	"	"	125
John R. Williams	111	1	"	"	"	101
Charles Larned	102	1	"	"	"	100
Thomas Smith	101	1	"	"	"	110
Thomas Smith	94*	1	"	"	"	431*
Robert Smart	63	1	"	"	"	752
Barnam Campau	98	1	"	"	"	120
Richard Smyth	97	1	"	"	"	240
John R. Williams	66	1	"	"	"	420
John R. Williams	65	1	"	"	"	780
Abraham Edwards	93	1	"	"	"	220
Abraham Edwards	70	1	"	"	"	350
Stephen Mack	91	1	"	"	"	106
Stephen Mack	72	1	"	"	"	551
Shubael Conant	71	1	"	"	"	750
					Dols.	5758

"E. E. Detroit, 1st Dec., 1816.

JAMES ABBOTT, Auctioneer."

*The lot actually sold was 100 & not 94, for $431.

Ordered that the land in the rear of Maj. Edwards lot where he now lives, between that and Woodbridge street, be granted to him at the rate of thirty cents per foot, to be ascertained by the surveyor, the lines to be run perpendicular to Woodbridge Street.

Ordered, that the land in front of Joseph Thibault lot where he now lives, between there and Jefferson Avenues, be granted to the said Thibault at the rate of one dollar per foot, to be ascertained by the surveyor.

Ordered, that the lot lying upon the Citadel Alley, back of the lots confirmed to William and David Macomb, be sold at public auction on Saturday next on the terms prescribed for the sale of water lots, and that the said lot be sold agreeably to the present plan of the town.

Ordered, that the lot lying between Henry Hudson's dwelling house and store house be sold at the same time and upon the same terms, and that the amount thereof be specially reserved by the treasurer for the further disposition of the board.

Ordered, that all ground the property of the Detroit Fund, between the Detroit River and Adams Avenue, passing through the Grand Circus and parallel to Jefferson Avenue not previously reserved or disposed of, be sold at public auction, the 2nd Thursday of October next at noon, if fair, if not the next fair day, upon the terms prescribed for the sale of the last water lots—and that public notice thereof be given here and elsewhere in four public places.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the 4th day of December, 1816, to be held at 11 of the clock A. M., at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

Return of Sales of Lots within the bounds of the City of Detroit on Friday, the sixth day of December, 1816, by order of the Governor and Judges.

Purchaser's Name.	No. Lot.	No. Section.	
J. Leib[223]	33	8	65
Sol. Sibley	24	"	38
" "	19	"	28
" "	18	"	31
" "	17	"	31

Sol. Sibley	16	"	46
John R. Williams	82	"	36
Thomas Rowland	15	"	60
Thomas Rowland	14	"	50
Stephen Mack	13	"	47
Thomas Rowland	12	"	70
Stephen Mack	11	"	94
Thomas Rowland	65	"	42
Stephen Mack	64	"	30
Thomas Rowland	63	"	46
John R. Williams	66	"	33
John S. Roby	10	"	70
Sol. Sibley	9	"	54
Thomas Rowland	7	"	80
Geo. B. Larned[224]	62	"	50
Sol. Sibley	61	"	45
Geo. B. Larned	60	"	37
" "	59	"	45
John R. Williams	58	"	57
" "	57	"	80
Lieut. Fisher[225]	56	"	61
			$1326.
Lieut. Fisher	55	8	86
Thomas Rowland	49	"	238
Solomon Sibley	48	"	250
John R. Williams	21	12	15
" "	22	"	21
John Palmer	23	"	16
" "	20	"	20.50
Dr. McCroskey	19	"	18
" "	24	"	20
Stephen Mack	18	"	26
" "	25	"	29
" "	26	"	27
" "	27	"	29
" "	28	"	30
" "	67	"	25
" "	17	"	14
" "	16	"	16
" "	15	"	16

Charles Larned	1	10	54
" "	2	"	29
John S. Roby	3	"	39
Thomas Rowland	4	"	45
" "	55	"	34
" "	56	"	37
" "	53	"	24
John R. Williams	54	"	38
" "	51 & 52	"	27
Dr. Day[226]	81	"	21
John R. Williams	79 & 80	"	22
Alex. McComb	15	"	30
" "	16	"	21
" "	17	"	10
			$1327.50
Alexander McComb	18	"	10
" "	19	"	15
" "	20	"	15
" "	21	"	19
" "	22	"	10
" "	23	"	10
" "	24	"	15
" "	25	"	14
" "	26	"	10
" "	27	"	20
" "	28	"	18
" "	67	"	11
Austin E. Wing	29	"	30
" "	30	"	27
			$ 226
			1326
			1327.50
			$2879.50

Account of Sales of 13 Lots within the City of Detroit on Saturday, the 7th of December, 1816:

Purchasers Name.	No. Lots.	No. Section.	Dols. Cents.
Austin E. Wing.....	68	4	1800
Chester Root	5	10	65
" "	6	"	34
" "	7	"	20
" "	8	"	39
" "	9	"	46
James Abbott	184	4	111
John R. Williams	185	"	100
" "	183	"	245
Austin E. Wing	182	"	261
Stephen Mack	176	"	360
John R. Williams	177	"	260
Peter Van Avery[227].....50 by 70	Lot 79	Sec. 2	540
			$3881

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes, on Monday the 16th day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen,, present: His excellency, Lewis Cass; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, Judges.

Ordered, that a deed issue for lot No. 15, in section 2, to Benjamin Stead, excepting 800 square feet in the rear, on his exhibiting a receipt from the treasurer for 50 dollars and for two notes of 50 dollars, payable in two consecutive years and a relinquishment of all claims on the part of Robert Gouie.[228]

On motion of Judge Griffin, it was unanimously resolved by the Board that on Friday, the 20th instant, this board adjourn sine die.

Sylvanus Blackmarr[229] presented an account for firewood and attendance on the board of $22.75, which was passed.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the 17th instant, at 11 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the seventeenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Ordered, that deeds be granted to Joseph Thibault for lots Nos. 12 and 13, in section 2, upon his conveying a deed to the governor and judges for lot No. 80, in section 6.

A deed was signed to Solomon Sibley by the governor and judges, as assignee to Jacob Fairman; lot 41.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to Mrs. Scott, lot No. 36, section 8.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to Sarah Knowland for lot No. 82, section 6.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to Robert Smart for lots Nos. 61 and 62, in section 3.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the 18th instant, to be held at the same place.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the 18th day of December, 1816. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

John Stockton appeared before the board and requested liberty to relinquish to the board certain lots, Nos. 5 and 50, lying in the old public garden, purchased at public auction, agreeable to an order of the board, on the 12th of November, 1816, which was granted by the board.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges for lots Nos. 82 and 83 to Solomon Sibley, Esq., at the request of James May, Esq.

Dr. McCroskey made application to the board for a deed to a donation lot in the City of Detroit. Ordered, that a deed be granted agreeable to his request.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges for lots Nos. 37, 38, 39, 66, 67, 56, 57, 58 to James May, Esq.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the 19th, to be held again at the same place at eleven o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the 19th day of December, 1816. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges for lot number seventy-three, in section four, to Catharine McNiff.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges for lot numbered seventy-eight, in section seven, to Margaret Hanks.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges for lot numbered eighty-one (out lot) to John Palmer.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges for lot numbered fifty-one, in section three, to Richard Smyth.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges for out lots numbered seventy and seventy-one to Abraham Cook.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges for part of a lot numbered four, in section three, to Elizabeth Chittenden, wife of James Chittenden, which deed is ordered to remain in the hands of the secretary of the board as an escrow until a relinquishment be filed with the secretary by Elizabeth Chittenden to all the claims of Hugh Calahan in the old town.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at eleven o'clock a. m., to be held at the same place.

A. E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and one of the judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, in the

Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Friday, the 20th day of December, 1816. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor, and the Hon. John Griffin, one of the judges.

Not being a quorum, the board adjourned until Monday, the sixth day of January, 1817.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a special meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, in the Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to John S. Roby for the lot whereon he now lives, to be retained by Solomon Sibley as an escrow till Robert Innis files a deed of relinquishment for all claims of Mathew Donavan to land in the old Town of Detroit and till three dollars and fifty cents are paid to the treasurer.

A deed was also signed by the governor and judges to Joseph Thibault for part of lots numbered twelve and thirteen in section number two.

A deed of relinquishment was filed by the said Thibault for all claims in the old town and another deed from the said Thibault and his wife for a donation lot heretofore granted to her.

A deed was signed to Benjamin Stead for part of lot No. 15, in section 2, to be retained by Solomon Sibley till a deed of relinquishment is filed by Robert Gouie for all his claims in the old Town of Detroit and till Benjamin Stead pays fifty dollars to the treasurer of the Detroit Fund and secures by his note the payment of one hundred dollars in two equal annual instalments, with interest till paid.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Catharine Donahoe for a donation lot of Peter Curry, being lot No. 50, in section No. 8.

A deed was signed to Dr. Wm. McCoskry for out lots No. 63, 64 and 65 and in lot No. 41, in section 6, as a donation lot.

A deed was signed to Dr. Sylvester Day for lot No. 81, in section No. 10.

A deed was signed to Benjamin Woodworth for out lots Nos. 24, 25, 26, 27 and also for in lot No. 53, in section No. 4, the latter to be retained as an escrow till he conveys to the United States the lot whereon the New Indian Blacksmith shop is built.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, in the Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the eighteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Duncan Reid presented a petition in the name of Jean Bt. Picquet, deceased, for an order of the board upon the treasurer of the Detroit Fund for the sum of twenty dollars, with interest upon the same from the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eight until paid, agreeable to an order of said land board, then composed of (members His excellency, Reuben Atwater, acting governor; Augustus B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges), which order is now on file in my office.

It is thereupon ordered by the board, that the said Duncan Reid's petition be granted; and that a certified copy of this order from the secretary of the board shall be the treasurer's voucher for paying the same.

And then the board adjourned until Thursday, the 21st inst., 1817.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

Twenty dollars, with interest from the 22nd of March, 1808, granted by the board in lieu of 1000 feet *vantage* ground, as per articles on file.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, in the Territory of

Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of May, 1817. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor, and John Griffin, judge.

Not being a quorum, the board adjourned until Thursday next at one-half after 10 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, in the Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Thursday, the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor, and Augustus B. Woodward, judge.

There being no quorum, the board adjourned until Monday next, the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817), at half after ten of the clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, in the Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor, and Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Ordered, by the governor and judges, that an appropriation be made to Austin E. Wing, secretary of this board, of one hundred dollars, the same being the amount of his semi-annual salary.

Ordered, that the subject of the petition of the Widow John McComb, presented and filed March third, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, be taken up by the board on Monday next, the ninth of this month, at one-half after 10 o'clock a. m., and that a copy of this order be sent to William McComb, or his attorney, by the secretary of the board.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at one-half after 10 of the clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, in the Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Ordered, that the petition of Mrs. John McComb, presented on the third of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, be granted, unless on Saturday next at half after ten of the clock in the forenoon, William McComb or his attorney appear and shew good cause why said petition shall not be granted.

And then the board adjourned until Saturday next at half after ten of the clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the fourth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Several proposals for building a gaol in the City of Detroit, agreeable to a certain plan and description on file in the secretary's office, were received, viz.:

David C. McKinstry[230] and Benjamin Stead for furnishing the stone, sixteen dollars and twenty-four cents per tois; lime at sixty-two cents per barrel, bulk; sand and water, at three dollars and forty cents per each tois of stone work; sand and water for plastering, fifty-two cents for each barrel of lime used for that purpose.

No other proposal was accepted and the board adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United

States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, and for other purposes," on Tuesday the fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

No business being done, the board adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the City of Detroit, and for other purposes," on Wednesday, the 6th day of August, 1817. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that the proposals of Mack, Conant, Hunt and Woodworth, for the carpenters work of said goal be accepted, viz.: That they will furnish all the materials and complete the carpenters work agreeable to the plan and description thereof for four thousand and three hundred dollars ($4,300).

Resolved, that the proposal of Merritt and Willard,[231] for the mason work of the said gaol be accepted, viz.:

That they will do the mason work agreeable to the plan and description, with the exception of the cut stone and finding the brick for four thousand seven hundred and eighty-three dollars ($4,783).

Resolved, that a superintendent be appointed who shall oversee the building of the gaol and inspect all the materials furnished by the contractors or otherwise previous to their being incorporated into the building; who shall be responsible that no material be put into the building except it be sound and in a workmanlike manner, agreeable to the plan and description of said gaol. For which said superintendent shall receive five hundred dollars at the completion of the building; or if by any means he should fail to complete his contract, he shall be paid at the close of his term of service in proportion to the sums previously expended upon said gaol.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and for other purposes," on Thursday, the seventh day of August one thousand eight hundred seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

No business being done, the board adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m. AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, and for other purposes," on Friday, the eighth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Ordered, that the subject of Mrs. John McComb's petition be taken up on Tuesday next. And then the board adjourned until Tuesday next, at 11 o'clock a. m. AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the City of Detroit, and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the twelfth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Ordered, that George McDougall, Esq., be appointed to draft the contracts for the materials and for building the gaol, etc.

Proposed by David C. McKinstry and Benjamin Stead that they will dig and stone a well in a workmanlike manner on section No. 7 and put therein a good pump for the use of the gaol for the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150), which proposition was acceded to by the governor and judges.

Ordered, that the surveyor lay out the interior of section number seven, and report the same to the board.

Ordered, that a deed be granted to Mrs. John McComb, agreeably to her petition of third of March, 1817.

Ordered, that the sum of two hundred and twenty-six dollars and sixty-six cents be paid to Mrs. Elizabeth Chittenden, as an equivalent for lands relinquished in the old town, being at the rate of seven cents per foot (see page 8th of account 15th, 1816). Also, one hundred and thirty dollars, the appraised value of her well in the old town (see appraising return, 19th account, 1816, on file, signed J. Abbott, J. Dodomeade and Rich. Smyth).

Resolved, that James May, Esq., be appointed to superintend the building of the gaol.

And then the board adjourned without day.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and for other purposes," on the eleventh day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A deed was signed to Mrs. Agnes McLean for donation lot number 74, in section number 8.

The petition of Solomon Sibley for a deed of a certain lot of ground therein described and ordered that the same be surveyed and a return of said survey be made to the board.

And then the board adjourned until Thursday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

THOS. ROWLAND,
Secretary pro tem.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and for other purposes," on the thirteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, by the board that a deed be granted to Jacob G. Sanders for lot number twenty-one bought at auction the 6th of March, 1809.

Solomon Sibley filed with the board a deed of relinquishment of Robert Gouie for lot No. 15, section No. 2, in the old Town of Detroit.

A contract was executed between the governor and judges and Benjamin Stead and David C. McKinstry as principals, and Conrad Ten Eyck and Henry J. Hunt as sureties for the delivery of stone, lime and water for the new gaol and for digging a well near the site thereof agreeably to the previous resolution of the board.

Resolved, that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be paid to the said Stead, McKinstry, Hunt and Ten Eyck, the treasurer taking their receipt upon the said contract.

And then the board adjourned until Friday, the fourteenth inst., at eleven o'clock a. m.

THOS. ROWLAND,
Secretary pro tem.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit, and for other purposes," on the fourteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

The board appointed Capt. James McCloskey superintendent for the building of the gaol within the City of Detroit, agreeably to a resolution on that subject dated the sixth day of August, 1817.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at ten o'clock a. m.

THOS. ROWLAND,
Secretary pro tem.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the sixteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

No business being done, the board adjourned until Tuesday next, the twenty-fifth November, 1817, to meet again at the council house at eleven of the clock a. m.

THOS. ROWLAND,
Secretary pro tem.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the twenty-fifth (25) day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that all city and water lots, the property of the Detroit Fund, hereafter to be sold, shall be sold in the following manner, and upon the following terms:

They shall be offered at public sale at the day and place previously fixed, and shall be struck off to the highest bidder.

The terms of payment shall be: one-fourth part of the purchase money within six calendar months from the day of sale; one other fourth part of the purchase within a year from the day of sale; one other fourth part of the purchase money within two years from the day of sale; and the other fourth part of the purchase money within three years from the day of sale, with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum upon all the payments from the day of sale.

The purchaser shall give a note, with approved security for the first payment, and if the first payment is not made on or before the day upon which the same is due, the purchaser shall forfeit all claim to the lot, which shall be at the disposal of the governor and judges, in the same manner as though the same had never been offered for sale. Suit shall be instituted upon the said note, and the amount thereof shall be applied as other money belonging to the said fund.

And if the second and third payments are not made on or before the days upon which they respectively become due, a penalty of twelve per centum per annum, in addition to the six per centum per annum, before provided for, shall be paid from the said days, until the said payment shall be made.

And if, on or before the day on which the last payment shall become due, the second, third and fourth payments, with the interest thereon, together with the penalty, if any be due, be not paid, the sums before paid shall be forfeited and the purchaser shall also forfeit all claim to the lot, which shall be at the disposal of the governor and judges in the same manner as though the said lot had never been offered for sale.

Ordered, that George McDougall, Esq., be appointed auctioneer for the sale of the lots belonging to the Town of Detroit, tomorrow, and that he receive for his services in making said sale the sum of ten dollars ($10.00).

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at ten o'clock a. m.

THOS. ROWLAND,
Secretary pro tem.

Resolved, by the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, that the sum of seven hundred dollars be paid to Messrs. Willard & Merritt on account of their contract, for the mason work upon the gaol now building.

August the tenth, 1818.

LEWIS CASS,
Governor of the Territory of Michigan.
A. B. WOODWARD.
MR. WITHERELL.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His honor, James Witherell.

There being no quorum to do business, the board was adjourned until the eighth day of December (1817).

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of

Michigan, and for other purposes," on the eighth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

James Abbott's account, heretofore presented, amounting to eighty dollars ($80.00) for services rendered as auctioneer in the year 1816, was audited; whereupon, it was ordered that he receive the same from the treasurer of the Detroit Fund.

Charles Larned came forward and applied in behalf of Margaret Packard,[232] formerly Margaret Welch, for a deed from the governor and judges for lot No. 42, in section No. 8, whereupon it was

Ordered, that notice of said claims being presented be published in the Detroit Gazette for one week.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the ninth December, at eleven o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the ninth day of December (9th), one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

The governor and judges signed a deed to Jacob G. Sanders for out lot No. 21, bought at auction by said Sanders on the 6th March, 1809, as per treasurer's receipt on file in this office.

Ordered, that the resolution of 25th November, 1816, appropriating $8030, the proceeds of the public garden, so-called, exclusively to the building of a court house, be rescinded.

Resolved, that the board accept the proposition of Messrs. Mack, Conant, Hunt and Woodworth, to permit the iron work and material to the gaol, weighed at the shop at 29½ (twenty-nine and a half) cents per pound, excepting the sacks.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the 10th, at eleven o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Wednesday, the tenth 10th) day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Present: His honor, Jas. Witherell.

Being not a quorum, the board was then adjourned until Monday next at eleven o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the fifteenth (15th) of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

No business being accomplished by the board, it was adjourned until tomorrow at eleven o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the sixteenth (16th) day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

The adjustment of Mr. Berthelette's[283] lots in the City of Detroit were taken into consideration and postponed for further consideration.

Ordered, that the payments of John R. Williams now due or about to become due upon one lot purchased at auction in 1816 in front of A. E. Wing's warehouse, as well as two lots in front of John Meldrum's house, be delayed for the present, it having been suggested that deeds had previously been issued to other persons.

John R. Williams appeared before the board, pretending to a claim in right of his father to a lot in the old town. Ordered, that Tuesday next be assigned for taking his claim into consideration.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Wednesday, the seventeenth (17th) day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Solomon Sibley, Esq., in behalf of John Robinson,[234] Esq., of Albany, presented a petition for remuneration for a lot of ground lying in the old Town of Detroit in Jefferson Avenue, near the site of the old Catholic church, containing 2646.79 feet, etc.

His honor, James Witherell, presented the following resolution:

"Resolved, that that part of the ten thousand acres of land given by the congress of the United States for the purpose of building a court house and jail in Detroit, which is contained in the plan of survey made by Mr. Fletcher, be offered for sale at the council house in Detroit on the first Monday in June, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818), on the same conditions on which the public lots in the Town of Detroit were sold under a resolution of the governor and judges of the twenty-fifth (25th) November, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817), except that the minimum price for which said land shall be sold, shall be two dollars per acre. The sales to take place under the superintendence of the governor of the territory, with power to adjourn from day to day, as may be found by him expedient.

And the day of such sale shall be advertised in the Detroit Gazette, an Albany, a Pittsburgh and a City of Washington paper," which was unanimously adopted.

The governor and judges signed the several plans and descriptions of the gaol, to which the several contracts for building said gaol have reference.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next, the 22d December, at eleven o'clock a. m. AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the twenty-second (22) December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that the superintendent of the gaol be authorized to contract upon the best terms for such quantity of oil, paint, glass, nails and other materials required therefor, as may be wanted to complete the same; and as may not be contracted for, by the governor and judges.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the twenty-third (23rd), at eleven o'clock (11) a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the twenty-third (23rd) day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

The contract of Mack, Conant, Hunt & Woodworth for the wood work of the jail was signed by the contracting parties, viz.: The governor and judges and S. Mack, S. Conant, H. Hunt and B. Woodworth. Witnessed by A. E. Wing.

The contract of Messrs. Mack & Woodworth for furnishing the iron work of the jail was signed by the governor and judges on the one part and Stephen Mack and Benjamin Woodworth of the other part. Witnessed by A. E. Wing.

The contract of Merrit and Willard for the mason work of the jail was signed by the governor and judges on the one part and Merrit and Willard as principals on the other part and S. Mack and S. Conant as securities. Witnessed by Austin E. Wing. (Marginal Note—The contracts of Merrit & Willard, also Mack, Conant, Hunt & Woodworth, also Mack & Woodworth was transferred December 23rd into the hands of the treasurer, R. Abbott.)

The claim of John R. Williams was taken up agreeable to a resolution of the board on Tuesday last; whereupon James May, Thomas Smith were examined, as witnesses. The subject was postponed until tomorrow.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the twenty-fourth (24th), at eleven o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Wednesday, the twenty-fourth (24th) December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

James McCloskey, Esq., having declined the appointment of superintendent of the building of the jail, James May, Esq., was appointed as his successor.

John R. Williams' claim was again taken up; whereupon, it was resolved that his claim be inadmissible.

Ordered, that the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated to Austin E. Wing, secretary of the land board, being the sum due him on the 8th October, 1817.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at eleven o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of

Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the twenty-ninth (29th) day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin, James Witherell and A. B. Woodward, judges.

The subject of Margaret Packard, formerly Margaret Welch, claim by Chas. Larned, her attorney, was taken up, and it was resolved that no deed be granted her.

The petition of the committee from the Catholic church was again taken up; whereupon it was,

Ordered, that a deed signed by the governor and judges May 9th, 1809, to Mary Longdon for lot 99, in section 2, was this day delivered to Augustus Longdon.

Ordered, that five thousand square feet of ground of lot number ten, in section ten, on the south side, be granted to Francis Gowin ,as his donation lot.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the 30th December, at eleven o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes, on Tuesday, the thirtieth (30th) day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that two hundred and forty-seven square feet of ground, being part of lot number eighty-three (83), in section number one (1), lying between the southwest line of Brush's farm and Randolph Street, be granted to John Whipple.[235]

And that one thousand two hundred and thirty-two square feet, being part of lot number eighty-three (83), in the same section and between the said line and the said street, be granted to John Baptist Peltier.

And that two thousand five hundred fifty-three square feet being parts of lots number eighty-three and seventy-five (83 and 75), and between the said line and the said street, be granted to the heirs of Abraham Gill.

And that two thousand six hundred and twenty-eight square feet, being part of lot number seventy-five, in the same section, between the same line and Randolph Street, be granted to Joseph Andre called Clark.[236]

And that one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two square feet, being parts of lots number seventy-five and thirteen, in the same section, between the same line and same street, be granted to John Baptist Belonger.[237]

And that one thousand five hundred and ninety-three square feet, being parts of lots numbered eighty-seven and eighty-eight, in section 4, between the above line and Randolph Street, be granted to John Baptist Durette.[238]

The land above described is to be granted upon the following terms: The persons to whom the same is granted are to pay three cents per square foot; one-half within a year from this day, and the other within two years from this day, with interest from this day till paid; and if the payment be not made in conformity to this resolution, all right derived from this resolution shall be of no effect, reserving any parts of the streets or alleys which agreeably to the plan of the town may fall therein.

Mr. Thomas Smith, surveyor, presented his accounts for services rendered as surveyor to the board in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

Resolved, that he be allowed for his personal services in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixteen the sum of one thousand dollars ($1000). And for monies disbursed by him in 1816 one hundred fifty-two dollars and twelve and one-half cents ($152.12½); for his personal services in one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, five hundred and thirty dollars ($530), and for disbursements made by him in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, twenty-four dollars ($24), equal in all. $1706.12½.

From the said sum is to be deducted the sum of seven hundred and seventy-six dollars, being the amount of purchase money of lots 101, 94,* 102, 103, in section No. 3, heretofore purchased by Mr. Smith and this day conveyed to him by deed signed by the governor and judges, leaving due Mr. Smith nine hundred and thirty dollars and twelve and a half cents ($930.12½).

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*Error; the lot conveyed was 100.

Resolved that Mary Donavan receive a deed to No. 77 in section No. 8 as a donation lot formerly decreed to her upon her paying to the treasurer of the Detroit Fund, two cents per square foot for the number of feet over five thousand and filing with the board a relinquishment for all claims as donations.

Resolved, that Sarah Elliott, late Sarah Donavan, receive a deed to lot No. 68 in section No. 8, as a donation lot formerly decreed to her, upon her paying to the treasurer of the Detroit Fund two cents per square foot for the number of feet over five thousand and filing with the board a relinquishment for all claims as donations.

Resolved, that there be granted to Solomon Sibley, assignee of Gabriel Richard, a deed for seventeen thousand nine hundred and fifty-two square feet of ground, lying in section four, and being part of lots Nos. 77, 80, 81, 75, 78, 79, subject to an alley of twenty feet.

Resolved, that there be granted to Solomon Sibley a deed for lots 176, 175, 172 and part of lot No. 171 in section 4, containing sixteen thousand five hundred square feet, as satisfaction for so much of said Sibley's claim, adjusted this day, as falls into Woodbridge Street and Atwater Street, the said Sibley as assignee of Gabriel Richard, filing with the board a relinquishment of all further claims on account of said land embraced by said streets.

Resolved also, that a deed be made to the said Solomon Sibley for lots Nos. 178, 179, 174, 173 in section No. 4, containing 15,200 square feet upon the following terms: The said Sibley to be allowed at the rate of three square feet for one, for so much of the Richard lot as is embraced by a twenty-foot alley across the same, and to pay for the balance of said lot at the rate of one cent and one-half cent per square foot, the deed to be delivered on payment.

Solomon Sibley, as assignee of Gabriel Richard, signed and filed with the board a deed of relinquishment for all the ground lying in Woodbridge and Atwater Streets.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to Solomon Sibley for lots Nos. 176, 175, 172 and part of 171, in section No. 4.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to Sol. Sibley, assignee of Gabriel Richard, for parts of lots Nos. 77, 80, 81, 75, 78, 79, subject to an alley of 20 feet.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the 31st December, 1817. AUSTIN E. WING,

Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes on Wednesday, the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen (1817). Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to Solomon Sibley for lots No. 178, 179, 174, 173, in section 4, upon the terms of yesterday specified, to remain in the hands of the treasurer until the conditions are complied with, viz., until he pays to the said treasurer one hundred fifty-five dollars ten cents agreeable to his note of hand, of this date, and if the said sum is not paid agreeably thereto, said deed is to be forfeited.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to Mary Donavan for lot 77 in section 8, being her donation lot heretofore drawn, the said deed to remain with the treasurer until she pays to the Detroit Fund the sum of forty dollars and seventy cents, with interest, and if the same be not paid in one year she is to forfeit all claim thereto.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to Mrs. Sarah Elliott, the late Sarah Donavan for lot No. 76, in section 8, being her donation lot heretofore drawn, the deed to remain with the treasurer until she pay to the Detroit Fund the sum of forty-nine dollars with interest and if the same be not paid in one year she is to forfeit all claim thereto.

A deed of release of all further claims was signed and filed by Sol. Sibley in behalf of the heirs of Mary Donavan, deceased, in consideration of receiving a deed for lot 43, section 8, a donation lot heretofore granted to Mary Donavan, deceased. And a deed, formerly granted by the governor and judges to said Mary, deceased, was delivered over to Sol. Sibley, Esq.

John Askin[239] presented a petition by Solomon Sibley for a deed to a lot of ground lying in the old Town of Detroit.

Ordered, that an appropriation be allowed to Austin E. Wing, secretary of the board, for stationery, etc., eight dollars and seventy-five cents.

Ordered, that an appropriation be made to Isaac W. Day for twenty dollars for services rendered in attending upon the board and wood furnished, and the same being in full for all his claim upon the board.

Ordered, that upon the application of Francis Griffard, if a deed be found on examination, upon the old files of the secretary for a donation lot, No. 75, in section No. 7, to Cecile Reneau, that the same be delivered over to her, and if none be found, a new one to be given her or to Geo. McDougall for her.

Ordered, that the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars be appropriated to Geo. McDougall in full for his services up to the present date.

Ordered, that the lots upon which the old jail of the County of Wayne stood be sold on the third Monday of January next at public auction, the payments to be made in three installments, the first to be made in four months from the day of sale, the second in eight months from the day of sale, the third in twelve months from the day of sale with interest from the day of sale at the rate of six per cent per annum upon all the payments from the day of sale under the same penalties and forfeitures as the land sold agreeably to an order of the board on the 25th of November, 1817, for the sale of lots.

And then the board adjourned without day.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes, on Monday, the twenty-fifth (25th) day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

No business having been done, it was ordered that the board adjourn until tomorrow at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes, on Tuesday, the twenty-sixth (26th) day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that William Woodbridge, Esq., be employed to take immediate measures to collect the amount due to the Detroit Fund from the estate of Elijah Brush, Esq., deceased.

Resolved, that the terms of sale of the ten thousand acres land appropriated by the congress of the United States of America for the purposes of building a court house and jail to be sold on the first Monday of June next be the following, to wit:

There shall be five equal payments.

The first within sixty days from the day of sale. The second within six months from the day of sale, the third on or before the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, the fourth on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and twenty, and the fifth on or before the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, with interest at six per centum per annum, upon the whole from the day of sale.

The purchaser shall give a note with approved security for the first and second payments which if not made on the days when they respectively become due, suit shall be instituted, and the money recovered and the purchaser shall forfeit all claim to the land. If either of the three last payments shall not be made at the time when they shall respectively become due, an additional interest of six per centum shall accrue until the payments are made—and if the whole sum with accruing interest be not made on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one the land shall be forfeited and revert to the board.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Wednesday, the twenty-seventh day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

The Rev. Gabriel Richard, in behalf of the corporation of the Church of St. Anne, made an application for the privilege of erecting a church agreeably to a petition of said corporation; whereupon it was,

Resolved, that the use of the street running between the interior and central triangle of the section numbered one shall be granted to the corporation of the Catholic Apostolic and Roman Church of St. Anne, to be occupied, fenced and used by the said corporation for the building and erecting a church on the said street and on the adjoining said interior triangle as long as the said church shall continue to be used as a place of divine worship. And in case that the said church should be injured or destroyed by any accident whatever a term of ——— ——— shall be allowed to the said corporation to have the said church repaired or rebuilt; provided, that the said corporation shall never use the privilege already granted or to be granted by law to enclose seven, more or less, feet of the seventy feet, street called Bates Street, running between the classical Academy[240] and the said church of St. Anne.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Saturday, the thirtieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: His Excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund pay to George McDougall the sum of ten dollars ($10) in full for all his services relative to the sale of the lot on which the gaol of the old County of Wayne stood.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United

States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Monday, the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred eighteen (1818). Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, James Witherell and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund pay to Merrit & Willard upon their contract in erecting the jail, the sum of eight hundred dollars.

Resolved, Detroit, June 24th, 1818, by the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund pay to Messrs. Stead & McKinstry, on the contract signed by them and Messrs. Hunt and Ten Eyck to supply stone, lime, sand and water for the gaol now building, the sum of five hundred dollars, and that the secretary enter this resolution upon his record.

(Signed) LEWIS CASS,
Governor of the Territory of Michigan.
WOODWARD and
JAMES WITHERELL,

August 11th, 1818.

Resolved, by the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund pay to Merrit & Willard the sum of seven hundred dollars.

THOMAS ROWLAND,
Secretary pro tem.

Resolved, by the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, that the sum of twelve hundred dollars be allowed to Messrs. McKinstry & Stead on account of their contract for supplying materials for the gaol now building.

LEWIS CASS,
Governor of the Territory of Michigan.
A. B. WOODWARD,
J. WITHERELL,

August 14th, 1818.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Saturday, the eighteenth

day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, the sum of five hundred dollars be paid to Messrs. Merrit & Willard upon their contract for building the jail.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary to the Land Board.

At a special meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; James Witherell and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, by the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, that deeds be executed to Stephen Mack for lots fifty and fifty-two in section six originally ordered to be conveyed to Ephraim Town and Sarah Town, the said Stephen Mack having procured a deed therefor from the said Ephraim and Sarah Town.

(Signed) LEWIS CASS,
Governor of the Territory of Michigan.

JOHN GRIFFIN,
One of the Judges of Michigan.

J. WITHERELL,
One of the Judges in and over the Territory of Michigan.

July 27th, 1818.

Resolved, by the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, that the sum of two hundred and sixty-two dollars and sixty cents be paid to Stephen Mack on account of his contract to supply the jail with iron.

(Signed) LEWIS CASS,
Governor of the Territory of Michigan.

JOHN GRIFFIN,
One of the Judges of the Territory of Michigan.

J. WITHERELL,
One of the Judges in and over the Territory of Michigan.

July 27, 1818.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the fourteenth (14th) day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: Hon. Wm. Woodbridge, acting governor; Hon. A. B. Woodward and J. Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that the secretary of this board request Robert Abbott, treasurer of the Detroit Fund, to furnish to the board an abstract which will exhibit a full and complete view of the state of the Detroit Fund, with all possible expedition.

And then the board adjourned until (Thursday, the eighth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818).)

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Thursday, the eighth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: His excellency, Wm. Woodbridge, governor pro tem; Augustus Brevoort Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

A petition of David Beard[241] was presented for confirmation of title to water lots Nos. 185, 186 and 187, in section 4.

N. B. David Beard, aforesaid, appears with the above petition as administrator upon the estate of Joseph Farewell and requests in the petition that deeds be issued for the above lots in the name of Joseph Watson, for reasons therein contained.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow, the ninth day of October, 1818, at three o'clock p. m.

AUSTIN E. WING.

At a special meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, at their chambers, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit in the Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the ninth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that the sum of two hundred and forty-two dollars and eighty-three cents, and that the sum of three hundred and forty-four dollars and forty cents, amounting together to the sum of five hundred and eighty-seven dollars and twenty-three cents, be paid to Messrs. Willard and Merritt upon their contract for doing the masons work of the stone jail, now building and that the secretary make a record of this order.

(Signed) LEWIS CASS,
Governor of the Territory of Michigan.
A. B. WOODWARD,
J. WITHERELL,
Attest: AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

Dated November 9th, 1818.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the seventeenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Mr. Joseph Watson appeared and made an application for the renewal of deeds from the governor and judges for lots Nos. 183 and 184, in section 4, the same being water lots, stating that deeds had once issued, but were now lost;

Whereupon, it was ordered that deeds be renewed and issued to Joseph Watson for the above lots, viz., lots numbered one hundred and eighty-three and one hundred and eighty-four, in section four, the said Watson having produced to the board the original resolution of the board granting the same to him on the 12th day of August, 1812, and that the secretary give notice of the

above resolution to James Abbott and John R. Williams, who were purchasers of the same lots in 1816.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Thursday, the nineteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

A deed was signed by the governor and above named judges to Joseph Watson for lots numbered one hundred and eighty-three (183) and one hundred and eighty-four (184) and the same was delivered over to Joseph Watson.

Joseph Watson presented accounts against the land board for his service as secretary from May ninth, one thousand eight hundred and nine, to the twelfth of August, one thousand eight hundred and twelve; also a certificate given to Francis Gobey, Sr., March 13th, 1809, amounting to one hundred dollars, and transferred by said Gobey to said Watson and a final settlement thereupon took place between the governor and judges and the said Watson up to the present time.

Whereupon, it was ordered that the sum of two hundred and seven dollars and twenty-five cents be paid to the said Joseph Watson by the treasurer of the Detroit Fund the same being in full of all demands in favor of said Watson up to this time.

Resolved, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund pay to Austin E. Wing, secretary of this board, the sum of one hundred dollars, being the amount of his semi-annual salary due on the seventh October, 1818.

It is ordered, that in the above case of Joseph Watson, the treasurer of the Detroit Fund is authorized in lieu of money to issue to Joseph Watson certificates, not exceeding fifty dollars each, and that said certificates bear interest from this date.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at ten o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary to the Land Board.

Received of Wm. Woodbridge, Esq., on this day two books with paper covers containing the proceedings of the governor and judges in the years 1811 and 1812.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Thursday, the third day December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Thos. Smith presented his accounts, which were settled on the 30th day of December, 1817, for revisal; whereupon, it appeared that he was entitled at that time to a credit of ten dollars more than was allowed him, and it was

Ordered, that he be now paid the sum of ten dollars.

Ordered, that the secretary of this board put in the Detroit Gazette an advertisement notifying all purchasers of lots from the Detroit Fund in 1816; that unless their second payments be made punctually a forfeiture will accrue.

Resolved, that the payments due from John R. Williams upon lots purchased by him from the board, generally, be suspended until further order by the board.

Resolved, that the payments due from Austin E. Wing and which may hereafter become due on a lot called the Vincent Lot,[242] numbered sixty-eight (68) in section four (4), be suspended until the further order of the board.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING.
Secretary to the Land Board.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Friday, the 4th December, 1818. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Solomon Sibley presented a deed which was signed by the governor and judges in his favor for lots numbered nine, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty-four, forty-eight and sixty-one in section eight, signed by Lewis Cass, A. B. Woodward and James Witherell. Witnessed by A. E. Wing, secretary to land board.

Stephen Mack presented two accounts, one in favor of Mack & Conant, of three hundred and forty dollars and thirty-three cents, with a certificate attached to the same by James May, superintendent, for articles furnished in completing the jail, and one in favor of James Lockwood[243] of one hundred and sixty-six dollars, with a like certificate from James May for tin, work, etc., in completing said jail. Whereupon, it was ordered that the two accounts aforesaid be paid by the treasurer of the Detroit Fund.

Col. John Hunt, in behalf of Philip Licuyer presented a certificate issued May 9th, 1809, signed by James Witherell, president of the board, given to Joseph Watson for services rendered as secretary to the board amounting to three hundred and three dollars and sixty-two and a half cents, with interest from the date, with an endorsement, September 6th, 1809, of..... $6.75
Also an endorsement September 27th, 1809, of..... 80.00
Also one dated June 29th, 1811, of..... 27.40

$114.15

Whereupon, it was ordered, that said certificate be cancelled by the secretary of this board, and that the secretary give to said Hunt a certificate of the amount in the name of said lawyer.

Ordered, that the sum of two hundred and ninety-six dollars be paid by the treasurer of the Detroit Fund to Stephen Mack, on his contract for iron work upon the jail.

Ordered, that all forfeitures which may accrue to the board in consequence of non-payment for lands purchased of the board, heretofore, be suspended, until the first day of January next. Judge Woodward excused from voting.

Ordered, that the sum of ten dollars be paid to Austin E. Wing, secretary to this board, the same being the amount of his account for stationery, etc.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at ten o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

December 4th, 1818, agreeably to an order of the board of this date, the foregoing certificate presented by John Hunt in favor of P. Licuyer, was cancelled by me, and there appeared now to be due, the sum of three hundred and two dollars and

sixty cents and one-half cent, and a certificate was given for the same.

A. E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the eighth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

John R. Williams again presented his claim before the board to a lot of land in the old Town of Detroit containing sixty-six feet in front and rear and forty-five feet in depth, French measure, bounded in front by St. Anne street, in the rear by St. James Street, on the east northeast by Antoine Adhemar's[244] house and lot, on the west southwest by a small street without a name.

Whereupon, it was again decided that his claim be inadmissible.

Mrs. Audrain came before the board by Solomon Sibley, Esq., and entered her claim to lot No. 45, in section 8 (eight).

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes, on Wednesday the tenth day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. Were present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Upon the application of Alex. Macomb in behalf of David B. Macomb and Isabella Macomb:

It was resolved that the resolution passed by the governor and judges on the twenty-second day of November one thousand eight hundred and sixteen in favor of David B. Macomb and William

Macomb, heirs of William Macomb late of Detroit deceased, be rescinded. And that in lieu of the land to be given, under that resolution there be granted to David B. Macomb and Isabella Macomb, widow of the late John W. Macomb deceased, a deed for so much of lot number seventeen in section number two as is not contained in the military reserve and so much as is not contained in the small angle directly in front of the said military reserve.

This entry respecting D. B. Macomb and Isabella Macomb is rescinded and the first entry stands good ————.

Mr. Thomas Smith again presented his accounts for revisal and settlement. Whereupon, it was resolved, that so much interest as has been paid by said Smith upon lots purchased from the board, be allowed to him in lieu of interest upon the balance of his account as it now stands settled, and that he be allowed no more or other interest upon the balance of his accounts.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at 10 o'clock a. m.

A. E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Thursday, the 11th day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Austin E. Wing presented an account for money paid to the printers of the Pittsburgh Mercury, and postage, etc.....$1.56¼
Monies paid to chain carriers for measuring road through the 10,000 acres..... 3.00

$4.56¼

Whereupon, it was ordered that the same be paid by the treasurer of the Detroit Fund.

A. G.Whitney,[245] in behalf of Jane Purdy, formerly Jane McClemens, made application for a deed to lot No. 81, in section 6, as her donation lot. Whereupon, it was,

Ordered, that a deed be made to Jane McClemens, now called Jane Purdy, for lot numbered eighty-one, in section six, as her donation, she being one of the sufferers by the fire.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at 10 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the twelfth (12th) day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Gen. Alexander MaComb, attorney for David B. MaComb, again called up the claim of the said David B. MaComb; whereupon, it was,

Ordered, that so much of the resolution passed November twenty-second, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, granting to David B. MaComb and William MaComb lots numbered six teen and seventeen, in section number two, under certain restrictions and limitations, as relates to the said David B. MaComb be rescinded; and that David B. MaComb receive in lieu of all his claims upon the board, an undivided half of so much of lots numbered sixteen and seventeen, in section number two, as is not contained in the military reserve. And in lieu of one-half of so many square feet of ground as were formerly owned by William MaComb, late of Detroit, deceased, as are not contained in the above grant; the said David B. MaComb shall receive twenty-five cents for each square foot, which said sum of money the said David B. MaComb shall be at liberty to lay out in the purchase of any lands, appropriated by act of congress for erecting a court house and jail within the City of Detroit, and for other purposes, at the public sales of said land hereafter to be made.

Resolved, that John Robinson do receive satisfaction at the rate of twenty-five cents per square foot for a lot of ground lying in the old Town of Detroit, commonly called the Ridley lot,[246] containing by estimation two thousand six hundred and forty-six square feet, making *six hundred and sixty-one dollars and fifty*

cents, which said lot is claimed by said John Robinson and lying in the centre of the main street called Jefferson Avenue, and which said sum of money the said John Robinson shall be at liberty to lay out in the purchase of any lands appropriated by act of congress, for erecting a court house and jail within the City of Detroit, and for other purposes, at the public sales of land hereafter to be made;

On condition, however, that the said John Robinson do on his part enter and file with the secretary of the board a relinquishment of all claims of land lying in the old Town of Detroit, which instrument shall contain a covenant binding the said John Robinson, his heirs, executors and administrators, to hold the governor and judges and their successors in office, wholly indemnified against all and every lawful claim that may be set up or made by John Martin, his heirs or assigns or other person whatsoever, to and for said lot in the old town and proposed to be adjusted by the governor and judges in favor of the said John Robinson.

Austin E. Wing made application in behalf of a black woman called Hannah, now living with Mrs. Dodomeade, for a deed to a lot of ground situate and lying in the City of Detroit, numbered fifty-one, in section six, as her donation lot.

Whereupon, it was ordered, that she receive a deed for lot numbered eleven, in section twelve, fronting on Adams Avenue fifty feet and in depth one hundred feet, containing five thousand square feet.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to Jane McClemens, now called Jane Purdy, to lot numbered eighty-one, in section six, bounded on Virginia Street,[247] one hundred feet and on Bates Street fifty feet, containing five thousand square feet.

(Signed) LEWIS CASS,
Governor.
A. B. WOODWARD,
JAMES WITHERELL,

Witnessed by
AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary to the Land Board.

And then the board adjourned until Thursday next, the 17th December, 1818.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Thursday, the seventeenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. Present, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

On application of Richard Smyth, it was ordered, that a deed be granted him for out lots numbered fifty-four (54) and seventy-three (73), containing by estimation six acres, in the lot No. 54 and four acres and 49/100 in No. 73, more or less.

On application of James Abbott, it was ordered that a deed be granted him for out lot numbered fifty-three, containing by estimation four acres 49/100, and out lot numbered seventy-two containing by estimation six acres, more or less.

George McDougall presented his accounts against the board for forty dollars ($40.00) for his services as auctioneer from August 31st to October 6th, 1818.

Resolved, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund pay him the amount of $40.00.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at 10 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of congress, entitled an "Act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Monday, the twenty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

A deed was signed to James Abbott for out lots numbered fifty-three, containing by estimation four acres and forty-nine hundredths and for number seventy-two, containing by estimation six acres, with the claim of reservation heretofore prescribed.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment

of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the 21st day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Stephen Mack presented an account in behalf of James Finch for cutting out the road two miles and one-fourth to the ten thousand acres of land, appropriated for building court house and jail; whereupon, it was resolved, that Stephen Mack be allowed the sum of three hundred and fifty-three dollars and twelve and a half cents, in full discharge of said demand.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a. m.

A. E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the twenty-ninth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen (1818). Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that the sum of one hundred dollars be paid to James May, Esq., in part payment for his services as superintendent of the building of the jail during the year (1818).

Resolved, that all forfeitures which may accrue for non-payment (of lands sold by the land board) under existing resolutions, be extended until the fifteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

Resolved, that there be granted to Austin E. Wing two water lots lying in the City of Detroit numbered one hundred and eighty (180) and one hundred and eighty-one (181) lying at the end of said Wing's wharf or long side of it, in section numbered four, for the sum of three cents per square foot, to be paid one-half in six months and the other half in one year from this date, with interest until paid.

Judge Woodward was excused from voting upon the above resolution extending the time for forfeitures upon monies due to the board.

Resolved, that the sum of one dollar per diem be allowed to Isaac W. Day for his services in attending upon the land board, for every day which he has actually served, and that the secretary be authorized to audit his accounts for firewood, etc.

And then the board adjourned *sine die*.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the twenty-eighth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and J. Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that Adna Merrit and Peter Willard, masons, be allowed for mason work done on the stone gaol of the City of Detroit to the amount of fifteen hundred dollars.

Signed by Lewis Cass, A. B. Woodward and J. Witherell, to which order was attached the governor's warrant.

Resolved, that the sum of five thousand eight hundred and sixty-six dollars and seventeen cents be paid to Messrs. Mack and Conant out of the Detroit Fund on account of their contract for supplying the iron for the new gaol.

(Signed) LEWIS CASS.
A. B. WOODWARD.
J. WITHERELL.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the twelfth (12th) day of May, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen (1819). Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Stephen Mack, in behalf of Thos. Smith, presented a receipt given by the treasurer of the Detroit Fund, to Benjamin Stead for a payment of $56.25 made on lots 102 and 103, dated 13th

December, 1816, which same amount had been paid by Thomas Smith on the same lots in the settlement of his accounts.

Resolved, that the sum of $56.25 be paid to the said Stephen Mack in discharge of the above receipt.

Stephen Mack this day appeared and made a full and complete settlement with the board as follows:

The receipt given by the treasurer of the Detroit Fund to Benj. Stead for $56.25 presented this day. And a certificate and warrant in favor of Stephen Mack in behalf of Thos. Smith for nine hundred and thirty dollars and twelve and a half cents, being a balance of account due to said Smith on a settlement dated December 10th, 1818, including also an order for ten dollars, which through mistake appears not to have been allowed said Smith on a former settlement. And a certificate and warrant in favor of Stephen Mack in behalf of James Finch for three hundred and fifty-three dollars and twelve and a half cents, were taken up and cancelled.

Also the resolution of the 28th day of January, 1819, allowing to Messrs. Mack & Conant the sum of five thousand eight hundred and sixty-six dollars and seventeen cents upon their contract for supplying the iron for the new gaol was rescinded and then final settlement took place according to the following account:

The Territory of Michigan

1818.	To Mack and Conant	Dr.
Dec. 10	To amount of Lewis Cass's order on the treasurer of the Detroit Fund.....	$ 930.12½
2	Interest on ditto from the 10th December, 1818, to 11th May, 1819, is 5 months.....	23.25
21	Amount of Lewis Cass's order on the treasurer of the Detroit Fund.....	353.12½
	Interest on ditto from the 21st December, 1818, to the 11th May, 1819, is 4 2/3 months	8.24
1819.		
Jan. 28	Amount of account rendered the governor and judges for iron for the new gaol.....	5866.17
	Interest on ditto from the 28th January to the 11th May, 1819, is 3 13/30 months....	100.70
		$7281.61

		Cr.
Jan. 12	By cash	$ 182.00
	Interest on ditto from January 12th to 11th May, 1819, 4 months	3.64
Feb. 8	Cash	286.11
	Interest on ditto from February 8th up to the 11th May, 1819, is 3 3/30 months	4.43
		$ 416.18
	Balance due Mack & Conant	$6805.43

		Cr.
	By cash per receipt 11th February, 1818	$1000.00
Feb. 27	By Mack and Conant, receipt drawn	300.00
	in favor of A. B. Woodward	1300.00
		$5505.43
	Robert Abbott's receipt	56.25
	Balance due Mack & Conant	$5561.68

The Territory of Michigan,

1819. To Mack and Conant, Dr.

For the following articles furnished the new gaol delivered James May, Esq., superintendent:

Feb. 2	½ box window glass, 8x10, at $2	$12.00
3	1 closet lock, 4/	.50
	Screws and escutcheon for, 1/	.12½
	1¼ lb. chalk, 2/	.31¼
5	6 lbs. of putty, 4/	3.00
	1 paint brush, 3/	1.00
	1 lb. Spanish whiting, 2/	.25
		$18.08¾

Detroit, May 12th, 1819.

I do certify the articles stated in the above account amounting to eighteen dollars eight and ¾ cents have been furnished by Messrs. Mack and Conant for use of the new jail.

JAMES MAY,
Superintendent.

	$5561.68
	$5579.76¾

From which was deducted	262.60
Being the amount of a covenant which had been previously omitted, dated July 27th, 1818	262.60
Leaving due to Mack and Conant	$5317.16¾

for which orders are to be issued upon the treasury.

Rev. Gabriel Richard presented a certificate for one hundred dollars, signed by Jas. Witherell, president of the board, dated July 3rd, 1811, which was ordered to be cancelled and an order issued upon the treasury for the amount.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Thursday, the 13th day of May, 1819. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

On a final settlement with Messrs. Mack & Conant, Hunt and Woodworth on account of their contract to perform the carpenter and joiner's work on the gaol, the following amount was allowed: The Detroit Fund,

To Hunt & Woodworth,	Dr.
2388 feet 12 by 6 oak timber, 1/	$ 298.50
1124 feet 6 by 6, ditto, 8 cts	89.92
240 feet 12 inch square, 16¾	45.00
4865 feet pine plank and boards, $20	20.00
Amount of carpenter's account herewith for extra work	505.00
Amount, per contract	4300.00
	$5647.62
By cash received February 11, 1818	1000.00
Leaving due Hunt & Woodworth	$4647.62

for which it was directed that orders issue upon the treasury.

The account of Henry J. Hunt for materials furnished for the building of the new jail amounting to six hundred and thirteen

dollars and ninety-one three-fourths cents and certified by James May, superintendent, was allowed, for which it was directed that orders issue upon the treasury, $613.91¾.

The account of Harvey Williams[248] for materials furnished for building the new jail, amounting to three hundred and sixty-eight dollars and sixty-four and one-fourth cents, and certified by James May, superintendent, was allowed, for which it was directed that orders issue upon the treasury, $368.64¼.

The account of Sheldon & Reed[249] for printing amounting to one hundred and six dollars and seventy cents was allowed, for which it was directed that orders issue upon the treasury, $106.70.

The account of James May, superintendent, for his services in superintending the building of the jail, amounting to four hundred and fifteen dollars, was allowed, for which it was ordered that orders issue upon the treasury, $415.00.

Ordered, that James May, the superintendent of the new jail, deliver the possession of the said jail over to the sheriff of the County of Wayne on Monday next at 12 o'clock noon.

Ordered, that the sheriff of the County of Wayne cause to be built convenient to the gaol a *privy or little house* and that he cause an enclosure to be made around the block of ground upon which the jail stands.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a. m.

Omission of the 13th.

Ordered, that Merritt & Willard receive two hundred dollars on their contract for mason work on the gaol.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Friday, the fourteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen (1819). Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that the governor be empowered to employ some adequate person to make a plan of section numbered seven, of the City of Detroit, on a scale of fifty feet to one inch; and that such person be allowed for such plan, if accepted by the board, three dollars, payable in Detroit Fund bills.

From the sum of $5317.16¾ the sum audited and allowed in favor of Mack and Conant on the 12th instant, is this day deducted $5317.16¾
296.

The sum of $296 being the amount of a warrant in favor of Major Mack, dated 4th December, 1818, and which through mistake was omitted in the settlement of accounts on the 12th.

Leaving now a balance due of.....$5021.16¾

Resolved, that the sheriff of the County of Wayne be authorized to cause an enclosure to be made of cedar pickets around the *necessary* to be erected for the new gaol.

Resolved, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund be directed to report to this board on Thursday next what funds are now on hand and the sums now due to the board.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at one-half after nine o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Thursday, the twentieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Gen. Alexander MaComb, having produced a certified survey of that part of lot No. 17, in section No. 2, which was heretofore the property of William MaComb, deceased, and which is not included within the military reservation, whereby it appears that the same contains 1748 square feet, which being deducted from 8679 square feet, being the quantity contained in the lots owned by the said William MaComb in the old Town of Detroit, leaves 6931 square feet for which the heirs or assignees of the estate of the said William MaComb are to be paid agreeably to the resolution of this board on the 12th of December, 1818.

It is, therefore, ordered, that orders to the amount of $866.37 issue upon the treasurer in favor of General MaComb in conformity with the said resolution.

And then the board adjourned.

AUSTIN E. WING.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Levi S. Clark presented an account of forty-five dollars ($45) for building a necessary and furnishing materials for the new jail; whereupon, it was ordered, that orders issue upon the treasury for the amount.

Ordered, that the demand of Merrit and Willard upon the governor and judges for loss of time when building the stone jail, be referred to James May and Robert Abbott, Esq., and that they report their decision to the board.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at 10 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, unanimously, that a plan of the City of Detroit shall be engraved.

Resolved, that the superintendent of the Turnpike road to be made by Mack & Conant receive in full for his compensation, two hundred and fifty dollars.

John S. Roby was appointed superintendent of the above road.

Resolved, that the plan of section numbered seven, this day signed by the governor and judges, shall be the plan of that section, so far as relates to any land *hereafter* to be sold thereon; or to anything to be done by the governor and judges in relation thereto; which may not affect the rights of persons, who may have purchased pensions to this date; but this resolution is not intended to alter certain plans not now to be found purporting to be plans of the City of Detroit as adopted by the said governor and judges and are authenticated by the signatures of William Hull, governor of the said Territory, and Joseph Watson, secretary of the said governor and judges; but the same when found are to remain in full force, as though this resolution had not passed.

And the plan this day shall be delivered to the surveyor of the Territory and carefully preserved by him, subject to the inspection of any person; and no alterations shall be made thereon, except by the express orders of the said governor and judges.

Resolved, that the said surveyor make an accurate map of that part of the City of Detroit, which lies south of the centre of the Grand Circus, upon a scale of one hundred feet to an inch, whereon shall be represented the courses and distances of each lot, which has heretofore been sold or conveyed by the governor and judges agreeably to the description in the deeds of conveyance, where deeds have been granted, and where they have not, then agreeably to the plan by which the lots were sold. And whenever it may be necessary to renew any map, the old one shall be carefully preserved by the said surveyor, for occasional reference. And no paper deposited with the said surveyor shall be taken from his office, except by the express orders of the said governor and judges.

And the last mentioned map shall be subject to the inspection of any person, upon the payment of twelve and one-half cents. And the said surveyor shall furnish any person with an authenticated description and map of any lot upon the payment of twenty-five cents.

Resolved, that the surveyor of the Territory of Michigan shall keep a well bound book or books, in which the three first leaves shall be left blank; and the fourth shall contain a title in the following words, to wit:

"Register of the Lots of the City of Detroit," and on the first page of the succeeding leaf shall be exhibited a plot of lot numbered one in section numbered one, on a scale of not more than twelve

feet and six inches to the inch, expressing the course, according to the true meridian, and the distance in feet of every line of the said lot.

Resolved, that on the succeeding pages of the said book or books, the succeeding lots of section numbered one, and all the lots of the succeeding sections, shall be successively in like manner exhibited.

Resolved, that if any deed made by competent authority shall convey absolutely or in any qualified manner any ground on the outside of any lot and not within any other lot, the same shall be designated by red lines, and when one deed shall convey portions of two or more lots, the substantial parts shall be repeated under or after the plots of each and every of the lots in question; and when by any means whatsoever the title or claim to ground on the outside of any lot, and not contained within any other lot shall be extinguished, the red lines designating the same shall be erased, and a dotted line having the dots black, and at least fifteen feet apart according to the scale, shall be substituted as a memorial of the figure and shape of the ground; the title or claim to which shall thus have been extinguished, and a record in words at length shall also be preserved of the manner, means, way and terms, by or which such extinguishment shall have been effected.

Resolved, that whenever any person possessing title to any property within any section of the City of Detroit, shall hold the same, from any causes under a description with which he is not pleased, such person on conveying to the governor and judges, or other competent authority, all the right and title which he holds under such description shall be entitled to receive a new deed for the said property under a correct description thereof.

Resolved, that the surveyor of the Territory shall lay, plant and fix, or cause to be laid, planted and fixed at the distance of twenty feet from the front of the section on the avenues, and at the distance of twenty-five feet on the Grand Avenues and opposite to the distance of twenty feet from every corner of every section, and at the distance of forty feet on each side from the corner, on the lines for the first row of trees a stone at least four feet long, one foot broad and one foot thick, which shall be polished or smoothed on one side for half the length, and the same shall be planted in the ground two feet deep, with the polished or smooth side outward, and with the polished or smooth side

above the ground, and on the said polished or smooth side, shall be cut, engraved and marked, the number of the section, and the course of the avenue, according to the true meridian; and such side, containing such mark, shall be placed precisely on such course, and ranging with a line, twenty or twenty-five feet, as the case may be, distant from the front of the lots in the section, and the side nearest the corner shall range at right angles in such course, and shall be distant ten feet from the corner.

Resolved, that the surveyor of the Territory shall lay, plant and fix similar stones, or other convenient marks or monuments, at such parts of the interior of every section as shall be deemed convenient and expedient, and the stones, marks and monuments contemplated in the preceding and present sections of this resolution, shall be noticed and accurately located on all plots and maps.

Resolved, that the surveyor of the Territory shall cause to be ascertained, by astronomical observations, a true meridian on the public space of ground, commonly called and known by the name of the Military Square in the City of Detroit, and shall cause the same to be denoted by substantial and permanent objects, fixed in the ground.

Resolved, that when any lot shall be surveyed which already has not permanent objects at the corners, the surveyor shall mark and bound the same, by driving in substantial pickets of the most desirable wood, at least two feet six inches in length, and of the diameter of at least four inches at the top and which shall be driven about two feet into the ground, with a sledge hammer, so as to leave about six inches above ground, and on the top of the said pickets shall be notched two lines intersecting at the center of the picket, and ranging with the two courses respectively, of the lot from the said corner, and the surveyor shall be entitled to twenty-five cents for every picket, to be paid by the party and twenty-five cents for the placing of the same.

Resolved, that the surveyor of the Territory shall make and keep a general map of the Territory of Michigan.

Resolved, that the surveyor of the Territory shall make and keep a general map of every county in the Territory of Michigan.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at half-past nine o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that 20 barrels of lime, 40 pounds spikes, 15 pounds nails, 2 gallons Spanish brown paint, 1 quart brown paint, 5 pounds white lead, 2 paint brushes, 3 empty kegs, materials left, after finishing the stone jail, be sold, and that the same be sold and accounted for to the governor and judges under the direction of the secretary of this board.

Ordered, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund pay to Austin E. Wing, secretary of this board, one hundred dollars, due him on the eighth of April, 1819, as his semi-annual salary.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at 10 a. m.

A. E. Wing,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Ordered, that the treasurer of the Detroit Fund pay to Willard and Merritt on their contract for doing the mason work of the stone jail one hundred dollars.

A deed was signed by the governor and judges to David B. McComb, assignee of Peter Van Avery, for lot No. 79 (seventy-nine) in section No. 2 (two), sold at auction on the 7th day of December, 1816, containing three thousand eight hundred and twenty-six and one-half square feet, more or less, agreeable to Thos. Smith's description.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a. m.

Austin E. Wing,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the ninth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that Willard and Merritt receive one hundred dollars upon their contract and that orders issue upon the treasurer for the same.

Ordered, that the sum of sixty-six dollars be paid to Levi Rice for making and erecting forty-eight pannels of post and rail fence around the jail and that orders issue upon the treasurer for the amount.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Friday, the sixteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the seventeenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that the sum of three hundred and seventy-six dollars principal, and forty-six dollars and ninety-four cents interest, be repaid to Robert Smart, being the two first instalments of lots No. 63, in section No. 3, which were purchased by said Smart at auction, and which as it has since been discovered, were previously sold to Aaron Greely, and also the sum of fifty dollars, being the amount expended by the said Smart in improving upon the said lot as estimated by David C. McKinstry. But the said

Robert Smart is to assign to the said governor and judges all right acquired by the said purchase.

Ordered, that the city lots in the City of Detroit belonging to the Detroit Fund be sold at public auction on the second Thursday of October next, and that notice of the same be given in the Detroit Gazette and in a newspaper at Buffalo.

Ordered, that so many of the city lots in the City of Detroit belonging to the Detroit Fund as may be thought advisable by the governor and judges be sold on the first Monday of August next.

Ordered, that the sum of seven hundred dollars be allowed to Messrs. Stead & McKinstry as a remuneration for losses they sustained in furnishing materials for the jail and that orders issue upon the treasurer for the amount.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the seventeenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that the sum of three hundred and seventy-six dollars principal, and forty-six dollars and ninety-four cents interest, be repaid to Robert Smart, being the two first instalments of lots No. 63, in section No. —, which were purchased by said Smart at auction, and which, as it has since been discovered, were previously sold to Aaron Greeley, and also the sum of fifty dollars, being the amount expended by the said Smart in improvements upon the said lot, as estimated by David C. McKinstry.

But the said Robert Smart is to assign to the said governor and judges all right acquired by the said purchase.

Ordered, that the city lots in the City of Detroit belonging to the Detroit Fund be sold at public auction on the second Thursday of October next, and that notice of the same be given in the Detroit Gazette, and in a newspaper at Buffalo.

Ordered, that Mr. Merritt's accounts be entered on the book; and that orders issue on the treasurer in favor of Mr. Merritt for forty-five dollars upon his account.

Mr. Merritt's account is as follows:

The Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan,

1818.	To Adna Merritt,	Dr.
May 15th and 16th—	To paid six masons waiting for materials @ 24/	$ 36.00
	Eight laborers and boy, 12/	27.00
Aug. 3rd and 4th—	Six masons, 24/	36.00
	Eight laborers and boy, 12/	27.00
1819.		
Aug. 20 and 21—	Six masons, 24/	72.00
	Seven laborers and two boys, 12/	54.00
Aug. 12th—	For 1 86/216 stone, $11.25	208.00
X	Filling two halls with earth	35.00
X	80 yards extra lathing and plastering, 3/	30.00
X	10 lbs. shingle nails, 2/6	3.00
X	Plastering 20 window facings, 16/	10.00
X	Plastering 14 doors, 8/	14.00
	Discount on drafts, amount $800	40.00
X	Building oven	10.00
	Amount	$632.00

The above items marked with a cross (X) at the left-hand were allowed. The balance rejected.

Ordered, that so many of the city lots in the City of Detroit belonging to the Detroit Fund, as may be thought advisable by the governor and judges, be sold on the first Monday of August next.

Ordered, that the sum of seven hundred dollars be allowed to Messrs. Stead and McKinstry as a remuneration for losses they sustained in furnishing materials for the jail, and that orders issue upon the treasurer for the amount.

And then the board adjourned until the day after tomorrow, the nineteenth.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and other purposes," on the nineteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, present his exxcellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Thomas Rowland appeared in behalf of Jonathan Eastman,[250] and claimed lot No. 177 in section No. 4, which was purchased from the governor and judges by John R. Williams in 1816. John R. Williams contested the claim, whereupon the subject was postponed until Thursday next.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the twentieth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that the demands which John R. Williams may have against the Detroit Fund draw interest from the date thereof, as an offset against so much interest charged to him by the board.

Resolved, that orders issue upon the treasurer of the Detroit Fund in favor of Stead and McKinstry for five hundred dollars.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at half-past nine of the clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that the burying ground[251] adjoining upon Woodward Avenue be granted to the trustees of the Protestant Religious Society of Detroit by their legal designation for the use of said society, exclusive of the streets, lanes and alleys therein.

Resolved, that the sum of seventeen dollars be paid to Sylvanus Blackmarr for his daily attendance at this board.

Resolved, that the surveyor of the Territory make a plat of section numbered ten, and that he survey the lots sold to Robert

Smart and Thomas Smith and those sold to Aaron Greely and return to this board a plat thereof showing the interferences.

Resolved, that the sum of fifteen dollars and ninety-three cents be paid to John R. Williams on account of money expended by him for advertising the sales of land in the public papers.

Resolved, that the surveyor make an accurate survey and plat of the Protestant burying ground for this board.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at half-past nine of the clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the second day of August, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that the lots this day to be sold shall be sold upon the terms stated in the resolution of the governor and judges of May twenty-sixth, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, except that the third payment shall be made within one year from the day of sale.

And then the board adjourned. AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

A deed for lots numbered 109, 106, 110, 111, in section three, numbers 82, 66, 48*, 57, in section ten, numbers 54, 51, 52, 79, 80 in section ten, numbers 21 and 22 in section 12, and numbers 185, 177, in section four, was this day executed by the governor and judges in favor of John R. Williams, he having exhibited the treasurer's receipt in full therefor.

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*Should be 58. E. A. B.

Judge Woodward protested against so much of above deed as conveys lots numbered 21, 22, in section 12, without reserving therefrom a boundary of at least twenty feet in each of the said lots for an alley, and then signed the said deed.

Gabriel Richard, in behalf of the Church of St. Anne, again made application for an exchange of lots for a burying ground; whereupon, it was resolved that his application be not granted.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at half-past nine of the clock in the forenoon. AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the sixteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward and John Griffin, judges.

Resolved, that the sum of fifty dollars be allowed to Merritt and Willard in consequence of time lost by them in waiting for materials for the stone hall.

Resolved, that the balance due to Merritt and Willard upon their contract for doing the stone work upon the new gaol be paid to them as soon as the gaol is completed agreeably to their contract.

Resolved, that one dollar and fifty cents be paid to Mr. Merritt for brick furnished for hearths for the gaol.

A petition was presented for a donation lot from Morrice Nellerney.[252]

And then the board adjourned till Monday next.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Monday, the sixth day of

September, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Ordered, that deeds issue to John S. Roby for lots numbered ten in section 8, and numbered 3, in section 10, he having produced receipts from the treasurer of the Detroit Fund in full for the payments of the same.

Ordered, that it be referred to James May what deduction be made from Mr. Merritt for not rough casting the two ends and rear of the new gaol.

And then the board adjourned.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governors and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on the twentieth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Rufus Hatch[253] presented an account against the board for four months' rent of a room from the first of July to the first of November at seven dollars per month, which was allowed, and it was ordered that an order issue upon the treasurer for the amount.

Stephen Mack presented a receipt against the board dated May 14th, 1819, for five thousand dollars bearing interest from date, which was cast, the amount of interest being one hundred and seventy-five dollars, was allowed.

Horatio Ball,[254] surveyor, presented a blank account for a half year's salary, commencing 17th of July and ending 17th of January, 1820, which for want of time was not acted upon.

And then the board adjourned.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the twenty-

fourth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved by the governor and judges, that they will offer for sale to the highest bidder a number of lots of the ten thousand acres, on the seventh day of February next at the council house, on the following terms, to-wit: twenty per cent cash down, and a similar credit for the remainder as has been heretofore given.

Resolved, that the terms of payment be as follows: One-fifth cash down, one-fifth in six months from the day of sale, one-fifth in eighteen months, another fifth in two years and six months, and the other fifth and last payment in three years and six months from the day of sale, with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum upon the whole from the day of sale.

If either of the four last payments shall not be made at the time when they shall respectively become due, an additional interest of six per centum shall accrue, until the payments are made; and if the whole sum, with all the interest be not made on the day on which the last payment shall become due, the land shall be forfeited, and revert to the board.

And then the board adjourned until Monday, the seventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes, on Monday, the twenty-eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

John Robinson, by Solomon Sibley, his attorney, filed the following relinquishment to a certain lot or parcel of ground, therein mentioned, viz:

To whom it may concern:

Whereas, the governor and the judges in and over the Territory of Michigan at Detroit in said territory, on the twelfth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, at the instance of Solomon Sibley, agent and attorney of John

Robinson, of the City of Albany, did cause to be entered on their journal a resolution, in the words following, to-wit:

"Resolved, that John Robinson do receive satisfaction at the rate of twenty-five cents per square foot, for a lot of ground lying in the old Town of Detroit commonly called the Ridgely lot, containing by estimation two thousand six hundred and forty-six square feet, making six hundred sixty-one dollars and fifty cents, which same lot is claimed by said John Robinson, and lying in the center of Main Street, called Jefferson Avenue, and which said sum of money the said John Robinson shall be at liberty to lay out in the purchase of any lands, appropriated by act of congress, for erecting a court house and jail, within the City of Detroit, and for other purposes, at the public sales of land hereafter to be made. On condition, however, that the said John Robinson, on his part, enter and file with the secretary of the board, a relinquishment of all claims of land lying in the old Town of Detroit, which instrument shall contain a covenant, binding the said John Robinson, his heirs, executors and administrators, to hold the governor and judges and their successors in office, wholly indemnified against all and every lawful claim, that may be set up, or made by John Martin his heirs or assigns, or other person whatever, to and for said lot in the old Town and proposed to be adjusted by the governor and judges in favor of the said John Robinson."

"Now know ye, that in compliance with the above resolution on my part, I, the said John Robinson, do by these presents, relinquish all right, claim and demand that I ever had, or now have and claim, to any and every lot of ground lying within the old Town of Detroit, such as the same was when burned on the eleventh day of June, A. D. 1805."

"Also I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, covenant, promise and agree to, and with the governor and judges of the territory of Michigan, and their successors in office, that I shall and will at all times and forever hereafter, hold and keep the said governor and judge and their successors in office, secure and indemnified against the lawful claims and demands of the above named John Martin his heirs or assigns, and every other person whatever, that he or they shall at any time make, set up and support, to or against said governor and judges, or their successors in office, for or on account of the said lot of

ground above mentioned by me claimed, called the Ridgely lot, and for which I am to receive satisfaction for from the said governor and judges, under and pursuant to the above written resolution."

"In witness whereof, I, the said John Robinson, have hereto set my hand and seal this ninth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen."

"Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of Benjamin Venealin and Catherine Wendell."

JOHN ROBINSON (*L. S.*)"

"State of New York, City of Albany. Be it known that on the ninth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, before me, John H. Wendell, one of the public notaries for the State of New York, duly appointed and commissioned and residing in the City of Albany, came John Robinson, of the same place (and to me known), who acknowledged the foregoing instrument in writing, as his voluntary act and deed. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal of office, the day and year aforesaid, and allow the same to be recorded."

"J. H. WENDELL."

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the sixth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

There being no quorum the board adjourned until Monday next; the sale also of the lots in the 10,000 acres is postponed until Monday next.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor, and John Griffin, judge.

There being no quorum the board adjourned until Monday next, and the sale of the ten thousand acres was postponed to the same time.

A. E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Monday, the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, L. Cass.

There being no quorum the board adjourned until Monday next and the sale of the ten thousand acres was postponed to that time.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. His excellency, Lewis Cass; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

There being no quorum.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next, at half-past ten o'clock a. m.

A. E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes on Monday, the eleventh of April, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; A. B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Sylvanus Blackmarr presented an account amounting to thirty-six dollars and fifty cents, commencing 11th May, 1819, and ending February 7th, 1820, in which there is a credit given by him of seventeen dollars, which was postponed for further consideration, but was finally allowed at $19.50.

Resolved, that Robert Abbott, treasurer of the Detroit Fund, pay to Robert Smart, the amount paid over by Mr. Ball, which was received from A. Edwards and Mr. Witherell for the first instalments upon the lots purchased by them, taking said Smart's receipt for the same.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at half after ten o'clock in the forenoon. AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes on Monday, the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

And then the board adjourned, no business being done, to meet again on Monday next.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

No business being done, the board adjourned until Monday next. A. E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Monday, the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present, his excellency, Lewis Cass, governor.

There being no quorum the board adjourned until Monday next at 9 o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes," on Monday, the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, on application of Joseph Andre dit Clark, that the resolution passed on the 30th December, 1817, relative to a certain parcel of ground being part of lot No. 75, in section one, lying between the southwest line of Brush's farm and Randolph Street be rescinded and that he be entitled to the said ground by paying three cents per square foot within two years from this date, with interest until paid; and it is further resolved, that the provisions of the said resolution be extended to John Whipple, L. B. Peltier, the heirs of Abraham Gill, John Bt. Belonger and John Bt. Durette.

Resolved, that the amount paid by Austin E. Wing for lot number sixty-eight, in section number four, be refunded to him, on his relinquishing all claim acquired by him to such lot, it appearing to the board that the title of that lot is involved in doubt.

Resolved, that orders issue on the treasurer of the Detroit Fund in favor of Austin E. Wing for the amount of his semi-annual salary, due him from the 8th of October, 1819, and to the 8th day of April, 1820.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the fifteenth day

of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that a deed be given to Margaret Audrain for a certain lot or parcel of ground, being a part of lots numbered forty-four and forty-five in section number eight, in the City of Detroit, according to the plan of the said city, approved by the governor and judges the 27th day of April, 1817.

Beginning at the southeast corner of said section No. 8, thence north 84 feet, thence north 30 degrees west 14 feet and seven tenths of a foot, thence south sixty degrees west 64 feet and 32/100, etc., etc. (See Deed.)

The above deed was signed by Lewis Cass, Augustus B. Woodward and John Griffin; J. Witherell dissenting.

N. B.—Judge Woodward signed out of the board.

In the above deed the following proviso was annexed: "That if the said lot of ground, or any part thereof, shall have been heretofore conveyed by the said governor and judges, then this deed shall be void."

And then the board adjourned without day.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and the Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on the sixteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

John Kinzie appeared before the board and claimed a deed for the lot now occupied by Stephen Mack in the vicinity of H. J. Hunts. The parties being not ready to go into the investigation, the board resolved that the said claim be taken up on Monday next.

Resolved, that Mr. Ball, the surveyor, make a resurvey of lots Nos. 23 and 26, and return a plat of the same to this board, exhibiting their relative situation toward each other; and then the board adjourned until Monday next at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING, *Secretary to the L. Board.*

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the 23rd day of October, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

John Kinzie's claim was taken up, whereupon Solomon Sibley, attorney for Robert A. Forsyth, administrator on the estate of Robert Forsyth,[255] deceased, filed a protest against a deed's issuing agreeably to the prayer of the said John Kinzie.

A motion was made by Judge Woodward that Mr. Sibley, the attorney for the United States, be instructed to institute a suit in chancery against John Kinzie for the recovery of a lot or the value of the lot improvidently obtained as a donation lot by him from the governor and judges.

Resolved, that all deeds now in the possession of the secretary of this board be retained subject to the order of the board.

The consideration of John Kinzie's claim is farther postponed until the second Thursday of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary to the Land Board.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Tuesday, the twenty-fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Resolved, that the resolution of this board passed October 8th, 1816, allowing an annual compensation to the secretary of two hundred dollars, be rescinded.

Resolved, that the compensation hereafter to the secretary shall be one dollar per diem for every day's actual attendance upon this board.

Resolved, that the secretary receive, independent of his per diem, forty dollars a year for taking charge of the records and papers and for keeping them in a convenient place and open to inspection.

Ordered, by the governor and judges, that orders issue upon the treasurer of the land board in favor of Austin E. Wing, secretary of this board, for one hundred dollars, the amount of his semi-annual pay up to the 8th day of October inst.

And then the board adjourned until Friday next at ten o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Friday, the 27th day of October, 1820. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

The road contracted to be made by Major Mack, agreeably to the resolution of this board of ————, having been personally examined by the governor and judges and found made in all respects agreeably to the contract, is ordered to be accepted; provided, that Major Mack file with the secretary his obligation, to clear away the timber now in the road, to cut down such trees as are therein, and to cut down and cover up such stumps as may at any time hereafter be found injurious, and to repair any injuries in consequence of such stumps.

Ordered, that interest at the rate of six per centum per annum be allowed to Major Mack upon one-half of the sum due for making the road from the sixth day of March last.

Ordered, that fifty dollars be paid to Major Mack for extending the road from the point where his road terminated, to that where the road made by Colonel Leavenworth commences.

Resolved, that the resolutions passed on the twenty-fourth day of October, 1820, in relation to the compensation of the secretary of the land board be rescinded and that he be allowed hereafter at the rate of one hundred dollars per annum.

And then the board adjourned until Monday next, the 30th October, 1820.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the 30th day of October, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

On application of John S. Roby, superintendent of the Turnpike Road, through the ten thousand acres of land in the rear of Detroit—

Ordered, that orders issue upon the treasurer of the Detroit Fund in favor of John S. Roby for the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars in full of his compensation for his services as above.

And then the board adjourned until Friday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary to the Land Board.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Friday, the 3rd day of November, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

No business was done and the board adjourned until Monday, the twentieth day of November inst.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the twentieth day

of November, 1820. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Warren Howard[256] presented an account of forty-one dollars for building a yard at the gaol 41.00 in the County of Wayne and furnishing the materials, which was postponed for further consideration.

And then the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Wednesday, the twenty-second day of November, 1820. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

No business was done, and the board adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a. m.

AUSTIN E. WING,
Secretary.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Thursday, the twenty-third day of November, one thousand eight hundred and twenty. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

At a meeting of the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under an act of the congress of the United States of America, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of the titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes," on Monday, the 5th day of February, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one. Present: His excellency, Lewis Cass, governor; Augustus B. Woodward, John Griffin and James Witherell, judges.

Robert Smart[257] appears before the board and acknowledges that his deed from the board for the lot on which his cabinet shop stands adjacent to Colonel Larned's calls by mistake for ten feet fronting on Woodward Avenue by one hundred feet on Larned Street more than he is entitled to, and hereby agrees to relinquish

his claim thereto, and also to remove the said shop therefrom whenever required to do so by the board.

Warren Howard's account, which was presented on the twentieth November, 1820, amounting to $41.00 was taken up.

Ordered, that the amount be referred to Benjamin Woodworth.*[258] ——

APPENDIX.

1. The foregoing is the journal kept by the governor and judges of the Territory of Michigan as a record of their proceedings when they sat as a board of commissioners to adjust the claims of those people who suffered in the fire of 1805, and to allot their donations. The portion beginning October 24, 1808, and ending with a letter dated January 26, 1816, is called Book No. 2. There were, altogether, five books. The entire record was kept in rough form. Book No. 2 seems to be the only one which was written up in full. Up to August, 1812, they are all in the handwriting of Joseph Watson, who was the secretary. Book No. 1 was called "Transactions of the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan." It begins September 6, 1806, and was kept until June 2, 1807. On June 1, 1807, there was a motion that a committee be appointed to sit during the recess of the commissioners to adjust titles and act on donations. Judge Woodward was the committee appointed. From June 2, 1807, until October 24, 1808, there is a gap in the records, but from that date on, they run smoothly through September 27, 1809. Here the records jump from 1809 to 1815. By referring to the "Rough Minutes" it is found that nothing was done in connection with the granting of lots in the town until January 16, 1811, when the rough minutes again show transactions of the board. During the war of 1812 not much was done, but at the close of the war, when Cass became governor, the duties of the commissioners were again taken up and continued through 1836 to the end of Book No. 5.

2. "An act of congress of the United States of America, entitled, 'An act to provide for the adjustment of titles of land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan, and for other purposes.'

"Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in congress assembled, that the governor and the judges of the Territory of Michi-

gan shall be, and they or any three of them are hereby authorized to lay out a town, including the whole of the old Town of Detroit, and ten thousand acres adjacent, excepting such parts as the president of the United States shall direct to be reserved for the use of the military department, and shall hear, examine and finally adjust all claims to lots therein, and give deeds for the same. And to every person or the legal representative or representatives of every person, who not owing or professing allegiance to any foreign power, and being above the age of seventeen years, did, on the eleventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and five, when the old town of Detroit was burned, own or inhabit a house in the same, there shall be granted by the governor and the judges aforesaid, or any three of them, and where they shall judge most proper, a lot, not exceeding the quantity of five thousand square feet.

"Section 2. And be it further enacted, that the land remaining of the said ten thousand acres, after satisfying claims provided for by the preceding section, shall be disposed of by the governor and the judges aforesaid, at their discretion, to the best advantage, who are hereby authorized to make deeds to purchasers thereof, and the proceeds of the land so disposed of shall be applied by the governor and the judges aforesaid, toward building a court house and jail in the Town of Detroit.

And the said governor and judges are required to make a report to congress, in writing, of their proceedings under this act.

Approved April 21, 1806."

3. Gov. William Hull was born in Derby, Connecticut, June 24, 1753, and died in Newton, Massachusetts, November 29, 1825. He married Sarah, daughter of Abraham Fuller, a distinguished patriot who lived on a farm in Newton. Hull distinguished himself in the Revolution and was appointed governor of Michigan in 1805. He reached Detroit July 1, 1805, about three weeks after the fire, and immediately set about his duties. He brought his family with him. His only son, Abraham Fuller Hull, graduated from Harvard in law in 1805, and was admitted to the bar at Detroit, September 18, 1805. In 1811 he was appointed captain of the Ninth Infantry, U. S. A., and was killed at the battle of Lundy's Lane, July 25, 1814, aged 28 years. A daughter, Ann Binney Hull, married at Detroit, April 28, 1808, Capt. H. H. Hickman, whose family lived in Virginia. Besides these, there

were six more daughters. In 1806 congress gave the governor and judges power to act as a board to replat the burned town and assign donations to the fire sufferers, as well as adjust titles to lands in the old town. Hull built for himself a large brick house at the corner of Jefferson Avenue and Randolph Street, afterwards known as the American House and used as a hotel. He was in command at Detroit during the War of 1812 and surrendered August 16, in that year. He was tried by court martial, was found guilty of cowardice and sentenced to death. His sentence was remitted in part, but he was dismissed from the army in disgrace. He was author of a pamphlet giving his reasons for surrender.

When the land board was first appointed it consisted of the governor and Judges Woodward, Bates and Griffin. The last named judge arrived at Detroit in September, 1806. Bates resigned late in the fall of that year and was succeeded by Judge James Witherell.

Frederick Bates was born June 23, 1777. He was the son of Thomas Fleming Bates, of Belmont, Goochland County, Virginia. He was apprenticed to the county clerk when 16 or 17 years of age and studied law while in that office. About the year 1796 he went to Detroit in the Quarter Master's Department of the Army of the Northwest Territory. He engaged in mercantile pursuits and was the first postmaster of Detroit, serving until July 29, 1805, when George Hoffman succeeded him. After serving a few months on the land board he went to St. Louis, where he was the first recorder of the board of land commissioners when the office was created. He was appointed secretary of the Territory of Missouri, May 7, 1807., and several times performed the duties of governor. In 1824 he was elected governor of the State of Missouri and filled that office but one short year, dying August 2, 1825, leaving a widow and four children. March 4, 1819, he married Nancy, daughter of Col. John S. Ball, of St. Louis County (*See Annals of St. Louis in Territorial Days, by Billon,* 1804-1821, *pp.* 226-277; also *Michigan Pioneer Collection, volume* 8, *pp.* 563-565).

Some time after Bates' resignation Judge James Witherell was appointed, and took his seat April 3, 1808.

James Witherell was born in Manchester, Massachusetts, July 16, 1759, and died at Detroit, January 9, 1838. He won distinc-

tion in the Revolution; was United States representative from Vermont to congress, and then came to Michigan as a judge. He served as judge for nearly 20 years, and was then appointed secretary of the Territory. One of his daughters was the wife of Thomas Palmer and the mother of the late Senator Thomas W. Palmer. One of his sons, Benjamin F. H. Witherell, was judge of the district and circuit courts.

Judge John Griffin, a native of Virginia, son of Cyrus Griffin, last president of the Continental congress, was probably born in 1779. He was a judge in the Territory of Indiana before the formation of Michigan Territory and was appointed judge in Michigan Territory in 1805. He left Detroit, February, 1824, and went to Philadelphia, where he died about 1840. While in Detroit he purchased land at Monroe of Mr. Knaggs and in 1836 and 1837 he had some correspondence with Judge William Woodbridge concerning it. At that time he was still single and was living at 49 Sanson Street, Philadelphia (See *Manuscript, volume* 130, *pp.* 40, 139, *Burton Library.*) He was constantly referred to as constitutionally inert, wanting in firmness and decision of character and disliking responsibility. He was, however, considered an upright judge and an honest man.. His mother was Lady Christiana, daughter of the sixth Earl of Traquair. She died about December 1, 1807. Judge Griffin had two brothers, Cyrus, who died October 10, 1834, while a young man, and Dr. Samuel Stuart Griffin, who married Sally Lewis, of Gloucester. He also had two sisters, Mary, wife of her cousin, Maj. Thomas Griffin, and Louisa, wife of Col. Hugh Mercer, of Fredericksburg, youngest son of Gen. Hugh Mercer of the Revolution. (*See Virginia Magazine of History, volume* 1, *pp.* 255-6; *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography III., pp.* 317, 318).

4. The secretary of the territory was Col. Joseph Watson. He was a native of South Carolina and was educated in France. He came to Detroit as early as August 1, 1806. He was deputy collector, notary public, secretary to the governor and judges and city register. In 1810 he "padded" the census returns of Michigan Territory, for which he was tried and found guilty, September 30, 1811. On July 27, 1811, he married Sarah Myra Witherell, daughter of Judge James Witherell. On this occasion he assumed his whole name by which he was christened, Joseph Valentine Beaman Watson. He was made prisoner at Hull's surren-

der in 1812, but was paroled and went to Vermont. He was one of the witnesses at Hull's trial, giving favorable testimony as to his character. During the war he was second lieutenant of the 19th infantry and in 1813 was in the paymaster's department. In 1816 he settled in Washington, D. C., where he opened up a military and general agency department. He had two sons by his first wife Sarah; (1) Eugene Winslow, born July 18, 1814, who went into the navy in 1831 as a midshipman, resigned and came to Detroit in 1846, and upon the breaking out of the rebellion again entered service; (2) James Bolivar, born January 10, 1818, and baptized into the Roman Catholic Church at Detroit when 31 years old. He studied law and was admitted to the bar, but never practiced, having a large landed estate in Michigan to look after. He died at Detroit in December, 1849. Mrs. Sarah Watson died at Poultney, Vermont, March 22, 1818, while her husband was in Washington. It was always his desire to return to Detroit to live, where his father-in-law, Judge Witherell, was caring for his two children. In 1820, Joseph married Ann Coddington, whose sister was the wife of Samuel Johnson, of Philadelphia. In 1824 he took an active part in the celebrations in honor of Lafayette's visit to America. He died at Plattsburg, New York, October 7, 1836, leaving a curious will, which was contested by his relatives. (*Witherell and Palmer papers, Burton Library; Detroit Gazette,* 1818; *Historical Register and Dictionary of Army of U. S., volume* 1; *Surrogate Court of New York.*)

5. Dr. William Brown, born in Massachusetts, December 7, 1773, came to Detroit in the summer or fall of 1798, as resident physician. He immediately became a man of importance in the town, not only devoting much of his time to his practice, but also to civic affairs and business. In May 6, 1805, he was elected one of the trustees, but when the town was burned administration of affairs was turned over to the governor and judges. He lost heavily in the fire. In 1807 he was one of those who signed a petition asking for ground upon which to erect a Presbyterian church. He held 50 shares of stock in the new Bank of Detroit in 1806 and was one of its directors. He was appointed surgeon of the troops at Detroit in 1806 and held that position at the time Hull surrendered. He was among the citizens who were compelled by Proctor to leave the city in February, 1813, and was one of those who signed the protest against the sale of the lots on the

commons, June 8, 1811. After the return of the American troops in 1813 he resumed his medical practice. He was humane and benevolent. For years he had taken care of the Indians in the vicinity of Detroit free of charge and in 1807 and 1818 at the Indian Treaties held by Hull and Cass, provision was made for the doctor in grants of land. These grants were not allowed by the United States government, and as late as 1829 Cass and others were making efforts in his behalf. In 1818 he was a stockholder in the Bank of Michigan. He was one of the early trustees of the university, and a member of the legislative council, 1823-1830. He was president of the medical society from 1820-1825. He lived for a while on the corner where the (Russell House) Pontchartrain stands. In early days this place was enclosed by a cedar picket fence. The house was small and painted yellow and adjoining it was a log cabin used as a school. Dr. Brown, at a later time, lived on the north side of Jefferson Avenue, between Bates and Randolph. He died June 27, 1838. (*Tombstone Elmwood Cemetery; Detroit newspapers; Michigan Pioneer Collection; Manuscripts in Burton Library*). He was never married, but having left a large estate, his numerous relatives recorded their names in the probate court as claimants for his property.

6. Judge Augustus Brevoort Woodward, son of John Woodward, and grandson of John or Jan Woodward, was born in New York City. He lived in Rockbridge, Virginia, in 1795, and in Washington, D. C., for many years, owning a considerable part of the original plat of that place. He practiced law in Washington and was thought to be so able a jurist that in 1805, he was appointed judge of the territory of Michigan. He arrived at Detroit a few days before Governor Hull and immediately became a man of importance. He was responsible for the present plan of the city, its wide streets and open spaces in the heart of the city. He was one of the stockholders of the Bank of Detroit. During the war of 1812 his services for the people of the city in their dealings with the British were invaluable. He was eccentric and made many enemies, at the same time he made many staunch friends. In 1824 he left Detroit, was appointed judge of the territorial court of east Florida and died in 1827, in Tallahassee, still holding office. He never married and his brother John and sister Maria H. Pease were his heirs. Woodward at the time of his death was the owner of what is now known as Ypsilanti. He

also owned 900 acres of land in the ten thousand acre tract on Woodward Avenue. Nearly all of this land is now in the City of Detroit. He proposed to locate a village on this land to be called Woodwardville, but the plan was never carried out, although a complete plat of it is in existence. (*Sketch of Woodward by C. M. Burton, Michigan Pioneer Collection, volume* 29, *p.* 638; *Notes by C. M. B., Detroit Free Press, February* 28, 1909 *and* 1914.)

7. Thomas Smith, a native of Wales, saw active service in the Revolution on the British side under Major Matthews and Colonel McGregor as lieutenant of militia. In 1779 his name appeared on the census roll of Detroit, where he set himself up as a merchant, and a little later when he tried being a tavern-keeper. He was employed in surveying and locating lands for discharged rangers. In 1788 he was acting deputy surveyor, clerk of the court of common pleas and a notary public. Understanding both French and English, he was valuable to the government as an interpreter. About this time he was appointed clerk of the land board, but on account of quarrels was dismissed. He assisted in assembling the Indians who resisted Wayne at the Battle of Fallen Timbers, but did not take any active part in the troubles. When the Americans took possession of Detroit he chose to remain a British subject and retired to live on the river bank at Petite Cote, below Sandwich. He subsequently laid claim to and obtained title to a large tract of land just below the City of Detroit on the American side of the river. After the fire at Detroit in 1805 he was employed in surveying and laying out a new town under the directions of the governor and judges. This plan was lost and no copy of it is known to exist, but in later years Mr. Smith wrote John R. Williams that the original plan of Detroit "of 1805 was approved by Mr. Jefferson, but was afterward rendered impracticable by Judge Woodward. * * * He caused streets to be made of various widths which altered the proportions of the diagram. The inside areas of sections which were for gardens and good walks, places of deposit in event of fires and circulation of air; he caused to be filled up with lots which proves he was the factotum at the Board, and obliged subsequent Surveyors to perform his whimsical schemes notwithstanding remonstrances. The Plan in its original form drew the attention of scientific persons, and from its novelty it is to be regretted

it was not continued" (*Manuscript, Volume* 26, *p.* 138, *Burton Library*). He continued surveying for both the Americans and Canadians for some years. He married Angelique Charlotte Crette, daughter of a Loyalist, by whom he had four children: Thomas, baptized January 17, 1784, aged one month; Charles, baptised July 8, 1786; Ann, born April 1, 1788; Catharine, baptised July 25, 1790, aged one month. Ann married John McDonell, a citizen of Detroit, and lived on the northwest corner of Shelby and Fort Streets, where the postoffice now stands. Catharine married Charles Fortier and went to Amherstburg, where she died September 9, 1812, a year after her marriage. On June 12, 1821, Thomas Smith made a deed to John McDonell of all his lands in Detroit to be held in trust for the children of Ann Smith McDonell; they were John Smith, Catharine Ann, Charles Stuart, Donald Lundy and Alexander Dallas. John McDonell, Smith's son-in-law, after the war of 1812, attempted to make a trip to Malden. He was captured and accused of deserting the British, but was afterwards released. Major W. H. Puthuff was McDonell's brother-in-law. Thomas Smith died at Sandwich, U. C., March 3, 1833, aged 79 years. (*See Genealogical Scrap Book* 1, *page* 165, *Burton Library; Notes by C. M. B.*)

8. George Meldrum's name appears early in the records of Detroit where, on May 26, 1768, he voted for Philip Dejean as judge or justice at Detroit. In 1772 he purchased a lot of George Knaggs; at the time he was a trader at Detroit and Michilimackinac. In 1774 he committed some offense against Philip Dejean for which he made a public apology. From this time on Meldrum's name appears prominently in connection with affairs at Detroit. He was contractor to supply Gov. Patt. Sinclair when stationed at Michilimackinac. In 1788 he was appointed commissioner, by Lord Dorchester, over the District of Hesse. In 1796 he declared his intention of remaining a British citizen, but seems to have changed his mind for he was living in Detroit in 1817. For years he was in partnership with William Park in the firm of Meldrum & Park, merchants. At the time of the fire he was a heavy loser, as was also the firm. He was one of the five who signed the address of welcome upon Hull's arrival. He willingly relinquished his rights in the old town in order that the governor and judges could readjust the claims to lots in the new town. On October 9, 1815, when he was drawn to serve on

grand jury (Vidal case) he was excused, being too infirm to act. He died April 9, 1817, at the age of 80 years. About 1782 Mr. Meldrum married Mary Catharine Angelique Chapoton, of Detroit. She died and was buried in the cemetery of the Church of Ste. Anne, March 4, 1815. Their children were:

Nicholas, born 1783, buried, Detroit, February 3, 1803.

Mary Ann Meldrum, born at Sandwich, U. C., September 2, 1786; married at Detroit by David Bacon, September 9, 1801, to Dr. William McDowell Scott, who died from the effects of the war of 1812. She married Melvin Dorr as her second husband. She was buried from Ste. Anne's Church, Detroit, August 1, 1825.

John Meldrum, born about 1788; married by civil magistrate in 1814 to Sarah Lytle. He died about 1825. Sarah was buried from Ste. Anne's Church, Detroit, March 16, 1839.

James Meldrum, born Detroit, 1792; married at Ste. Anne's, Detroit, February 20, 1821, Eleanor Boyer. He was buried at Anchorville, March 27, 1860.

William Meldrum, born Detroit, 1794; baptised February 22, 1817, and married February 26, 1816, to Genevieve Rivard, of Detroit. He died 1864 and she died August 28, the same year.

Mary Angelica Meldrum, born and died, 1795.

Felicity Meldrum, born September 6, 1798, was buried November 12, 1804.

David Meldrum, born 1800; married October 4, 1824, Julia Saucier, born Detroit October 11, 1805.

Mary Geneveva Meldrum, born Detroit, September 7, 1802; married Abraham Wendell, who was born 1791. She died 1845. She was also called Maria Ann Jane.

Robert Meldrum, born Detroit, 1804; married Mary Ann Moras.

George Meldrum owned what is known as the Meldrum farm, private claim 18, and other valuable lands. In August, 1806, an inventory was made of his property in the old town. He owned a lot on St. Joseph Street 48 by 57 feet bounded by the old Court House, east northeast side, and the Widow Provincal on the west southwest. Another lot in front of the Detroit Commons 73 feet wide was bounded in the front by the river, on the rear by the public highway along the commons, on the northeast by Henry Berthelet and southwest by the shipyard. On this was a dwelling house and a store house which escaped the fire and at the time

of the inventory was being occupied as a church. Rev. Gabriel Richard made some inquiries about buying it for the use of the Catholic Church but did not consummate the deal. A third lot on St. Louis Street 45 by 63 feet was bounded west southwest by William Robison's [Robertson] lot, east northeast by the street leading to the Merchants' Wharf, and a fourth lot fronted on the Detroit River at the corner of the street running down to the Merchants' Wharf. Formerly this was occupied by Capt. John Fearson. (*Rev. Christian Denissen Genealogies of Detroit Families, Manuscript, Burton Library; Michigan Pioneer Collections; Mss. in Burton Libray, volume* 829, *page* 78; *Gravestone Records; Detroit Register, volume A.*)

9. Henry Dearborn was Secretary of War, 1801-1809.

10. See Hull's plan of Detroit in 1809, showing Military Reserve.

11. Robert Smart was a jolly Scotch bachelor who came to Detroit at an early date. He was born at Kittle, Fife County, Scotland, and emigrated to the United States in 1792. At the time of Hull's surrender he was one of those who fearlessly protested against Proctor's brutal conduct. He carried on a mercantile business and had a store and house on the northeast corner of Woodward and Jefferson. He died October 28, 1839, aged 72 years. His heirs were a brother and sister at Kirceldy, Scotland, and his nephew, David, in Detroit, who married Mary Williams, a daughter of Gen. John R. Williams. (*Scrap Brooks* 4 *and* 5, *Burton Library; Elmwood Cemetery records.*)

12. Robert Fleming's name appears on the list of inhabitants of Detroit in 1806.

13. Enoch Page was sergeant-at-arms.

14. Solomon Sibley was born in Sutton, Massachusetts, October 7, 1769, and died in Detroit April 4, 1846. On October 31, 1802, he married Sarah Whipple Sproat, daughter of Col. Ebenezer Sproat, and Katharine, his wife. Sarah Whipple Sproat was born in Providence, Rhode Island, January 28, 1782, and died in Detroit January 22, 1851, aged 69 years. Mr. Sibley came to Detroit as early as 1798 with the intention of practicing law, having been admitted to the bar in Rhode Island in 1797. In 1799 he was elected member from Wayne County to the general assembly of the Northwest Territory. In 1806 he was chairman of the board of trustees of the town under the first city charter

and was made mayor. He served as auditor of the Territory 1814-1817; delegate to congress in 1821-1823; judge of supreme court 1823-1837. He was one of the trustees and visitors of the University of Michigania in 1818. He lived on the northeast corner of Jefferson Avenue and Randolph Street. He and his wife Sarah Whipple Sproat had nine children.

(1) Ebenezer Sproat, born at Marietta, Ohio, 1803; died in Detroit August 13, 1884.

(2) Catharine Whipple, born February 27, 1809; died March 24, 1880; she married Charles C. Trowbridge.

(3) Henry Hastings, born at Detroit, February 20, 1811; died February, 1891. He was first governor of Wisconsin.

(4) Mary C. Sibley, born in 1813; died August 16, 1852, aged 39 years; married Charles S. Adams.

(5) Augusta Ann Sibley, born 1816; died March 2, 1841, aged 25 years; married James A. Armstrong.

(6) Alexander Hamilton, born October 17, 1817; died July 10, 1878.

(7) Frederick Baker, born September 23, 1824; died April 8, 1907, aged 82 years.

(8) Sarah Alexandrine Sibley, still living (1915).

(9) Catharine W., died in infancy.

(*Manuscript, Sibley papers, Burton Library; Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan; Sibley Genealogy, manuscript, Burton Library.*)

15. William Macomb died April 16, 1796, leaving a wife, Sarah Dring Macomb and several children. Among them Anne, Catherine, William, Sarah, Jane, David B., and Eliza, were minors at the time of the destruction of Detroit by fire. John W., another son, was of age. William Macomb was born in Ireland in 1751 and came to Detroit with his father in 1772. His father, John, came to America in 1755 or '59, settled at Albany, New York, outliving his son William. An older son, Alexander, born at Belfast, Ireland, July 27, 1750, came to America with his father. They were engaged in trading business and William entered into partnership with them just before the Revolution. Alexander was one of the largest land owners in New York, owning "Macomb Purchase," which included lands in that state and all of the Thousand Islands on the American side. William became a large land owner in and about Detroit, where he pos-

sessed most of the islands in the Detroit River and a large tract of land known as the Martin farm, later the Macomb farm, and now the Cass farm. (*Manuscript Genealogy of Macomb Family, Burton Library.*)

16. James Henry, Esq., was the son of William Henry (born May 19, 1729; died December 15, 1786), and his wife, Ann Wood (born January 21, 1734, and died March 8, 1798), of Lancaster, Pa. He was one of a family of thirteen children, six of whom died in infancy. Of the remaining there were William, John Joseph (born November 4, 1756, and died April 15, 1811), James (died December 26, 1812), Matthew (died March 29, 1804), Abraham (died August 11, 1811), Benjamin West (born June 8, 1777, died December 28, 1806), and a sister, Betsey. William became a manufacturer, John Joseph was in the Revolution, and wrote "Account of Arnold's Campaign Against Quebec," etc., as a result of his experiences. After the war he studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1785, and in 1793 was appointed "president of the several courts of common pleas in the circuit consisting of the counties of Chester, Lancaster, York and Dauphin. He married the daughter of Col. Stephen Chambers, and upon his death left two sons, Dr. Stephen Chambers Henry, of Detroit; Dr. Julien Henry, of St. Louis, and six daughters, among them Ann Mary, who became the wife of Hon. Thomas Smith of Delaware Co., Pa. Matthew Henry became a trader and was located at Michilimackinac, where he died March 29, 1804. A cousin, William Henry, was located here at the same time. Abraham remained in Lancaster, Pa. Benjamin West was named after the artist whom his father had befriended as a young man. He studied art, probably under Gilbert Stuart, and when West was appointed successor to Sir Joshua Reynolds as president of the Royal Academy, he invited his namesake to visit him in London. At his death Benjamin left three small children, James, Anna Wood and Mary Henry. Little is known of the sister.

James, the subject of this sketch, was stolen by the Indians and brought to the Detroit River about 1793. In the fall of that year when the commissioners and Quakers were sent by the United States Government to treat with the British who still held Detroit, he was seen by the Quakers, who made a tour among the Indians. They described him as "a smart young man, a prisoner with the Blind Chief, near the mouth of the River Roosh

(Rouge), twelve miles from Detroit. He is adopted, which renders his case difficult. They have put jewels in his nose and ears, and figured him like an Indian. He is desirous of returning to his relatives." (*Michigan Pioneer Collection, Vol. XVII,* page 590.) He was probably released in 1796, for at that time he became commission agent for the post. On August 21, 1798, Governor St. Clair appointed him justice of the peace (*Manuscript, Vol.* 912, *page* 103, *Burton Library*), and in 1800 gave him control over the granting of licenses for Indian trade. In 1799, when Sibley was elected to represent Wayne County in the general assembly of the Northwest Territory many of his votes were challenged. Among them was Henry's, and opposite his name is written "Lives at Grosse Ile. Lately liberated from the Indians; lives on the estates of the late Macomb." (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 38, *page* 342.) Henry also ran a tannery and was for a time in partnership with William Russell selling saddles, harnesses, calashes, etc. This partnership was dissolved in 1809. Henry lost heavily in the fire of 1805, his property being inventoried at £2300. He was one of the most energetic in restoring order to the suffering townspeople. He was one of the three men chosen to handle the funds collected at Michilimackinac to aid the sufferers. He was president of the Detroit Bank in 1807. In 1810 his nephew, Stephen Chambers Henry, came to Detroit and was engaged in the tannery business with his uncle. After his uncle's death he carried on the business for four years. Henry held many important public offices. He was judge of the court of quarter sessions, 1802-1804; chairman of the first meeting of the board of trustees of the town in 1802; county commissioner under the Northwest Territory, 1804; served many times on the grand jury; was appointed by Hull, associate judge of the court of Huron and Detroit April 15, 1807; tax assessor in 1807. He never married and died December 26, 1812, at Detroit. The late D. Farrand Henry was the youngest son of his nephew, Dr. Stephen Chambers Henry. (*See Lancaster Co .Historical Soc.* 1896, *page* 69; 1907, *page* 303; 1912, *page,* 270; *Sibley Manuscripts in Burton Library; Manuscript Vol.* 108, *pages* 183-184, *Burton Library.*)

17. John Baldwin's name appears in the list of Detroit inhabitants in 1806 and in the petition of citizens of Detroit, April 24, 1807, for ground for a Presbyterian church. He was a

merchant and bought goods of the agent of Sanders and Ogden, Albany. (*Burton Library, Manuscripts.*)

18. Col. James McCloskey, militia officer, name on the list of residents of Detroit in 1806; appointed superintendent of the first University building in Detroit, the building site of which is marked by a bronze tablet on the structure which replaced it on Bates Street, west side, about 100 feet north of Larned Street. He was active in politics; in 1821, he was endorsed for congress by the French of the Rouge, Ecorse and Raisin Rivers and by Judge Woodward. Solomon Sibley won the election. McCloskey was cashier of the second bank to be chartered in the state, the Bank of Michigan, established in 1818. John R. Williams was its president. In 1825 the affairs of the bank were examined and McCloskey was found to be $10,300 short in his accounts. He was charged with embezzlement but the bank compromised and accepted half the sum lost. He was early occupied in surveying, and in 1808 laid out the road from Detroit to the Miami. In 1825 he surveyed and laid out the road from Detroit to Chicago. He was administrator of the estates of Otis Fisher and Louis St. George. On September 11, 1815, he was married by James May, justice of the peace, to Susan Godfroy, a sister of Pierre Godfroy, and daughter of Jacques. Their daughter, Elizabeth, married Senator Isaac P. Christiancy, of Michigan. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 37, *page* 453; *Manuscript in Burton Library; Hall-Godfroy Genealogy, page* 96.)

19. After the fire of 1805 the government erected a stone building on the southwest corner of Randolph and Jefferson, the Council House. Here the courts were held. Before this building was completed, court was held at the houses of James May, John Dodemead and Gabriel Godfroy. On September 13, 1806, an act was passed to build an edifice for the use of the supreme court and "such other purposes as may from time to time be directed by law" in the center of the Circus, and on November 3, a committee, the governor, Judges Woodward and Griffin, was appointed to make arrangements. This would be at the intersection of Woodward and Adams Avenues. Not until 1815 was this act repealed, and in the meantime no building having been erected, the supreme court met at various houses and in the Council House. In 1823 McKinstry and Palmer contracted to build a

court house. This was finally completed in 1828 and was located at the head of Griswold Street.

Public offenders were kept in the old blockhouse which stood within the limits of the newly platted Jefferson Avenue, or Main Street, where the Brush farm entered, and a short distance east of Randolph Street. James May was the marshal, and according to an agreement drawn up October 5, 1805, was to use this building until the end of 1806 unless sooner relinquished by the public, and then it was to become the property of the marshal "at the price of $250, of which $175 is considered already paid, and the balance due; if the public use the blockhouse for a jail during the year 1807 the whole is considered to be paid, and nothing to be charged for repairs; if the public use the blockhouse any further they are to pay Mr. May $75 a month and he is to charge nothing for repairs, and at that rate for any fractional part of a year." This building was used until the surrender of the city by Hull in 1812. It was then filled with soldiers and it was not until 1817 that an act was passed to contract for the building of a jail on the triangular piece of ground bounded by Gratiot Avenue, Farrar and Farmer Streets. The building was completed early in May, 1819. (C. M. B.)

20. Donation lots. After the fire of 1805 the United States government authorized the governor and judges to give to every person over seventeen years of age who was living in the town at the time of the fire and suffered thereby, a parcel of ground of 5000 square feet. It was nearly two years after the fire before the governor and judges hit upon a plan which was satisfactory to all concerned, and in the meantime the destitute citizens began building upon lands which they hoped to receive as donations. This led to many complications when the plan was finally drawn. The citizens were divided into three classes:

First. Those who were proprietors of lots in the old town before the fire.

Second. Tenants or householders.

Third. Inhabitants who were neither proprietors nor tenants. The inhabitants were numbered accordingly and drew their donation lots by ballot, according to their classes. (*Record of Proceedings of the Governor and Judges' Original Manuscripts.*)

21. At the time of the fire Peter Desnoyers estimated that the losses of Jacques Girardin were to the value of £400. Girar-

din died at the age of 36, and was buried March 26, 1806, leaving a widow and several children. His widow settled his claims for herself and her children. She was Josette Drouillard and was born at Sandwich, U. C., October 23, 1773, daughter of Joseph and Mary Joseph Godfroy. Jacques and Josette were married January 27, 1790. She survived her husband by a few years, dying January 23, 1814. The family name was originally Girard. (*Ste. Anne Church Records; C. Denissen's Genealogies, manuscript; Michigan Pioneer Collection, Vol.* 1, *page* 347.)

22. Richard Smyth (Smith) came to Detroit about 1800, bringing with him his wife, Prudence Brady, and a son, John, who was born in Lexington, Ky. In 1803 he was marshal; in 1804, sheriff; in 1805, county treasurer, and appointed coroner, which office he refused to accept because the duties were performed by the marshal. He served as justice of the peace many times, beginning in 1807; was one of the trustees of the town in 1818, and held several other important offices. In 1805 he had a tavern near the corner of Woodward, west side and north of Woodbridge Street, adjacent to Dr. Scott's place. He kept this tavern until some time in 1824, when it became the Saginaw Hotel and was kept by Jesse Holly. (*Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan Vol.* 1, *page* 480.) In September, 1805, he was made lieutenant of cavalry at Detroit; was appointed major in December, 1811; was colonel during the war of 1812, and in 1826 was appointed major general of militia. In 1807 he was also interested in the hatting business and had a young man, John McChesney, apprenticed to him. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 36, *page* 183.) Three children are recorded—John Smyth, born in Lexington, Ky., and married at Detroit, November 6, 1821, to Josette Godfroy, who was born in Detroit, December 1[illegible], 1803, daughter of Gabriel Godfroy and Theresa Bondy. After his death she became a nun and Superior of the Order of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (*Hall-Godfroy Genealogy, page* 96); Jane Smyth, who married Thomas Lyon of Michilimackinac, October 26, 1818, at Detroit (*Genealogical Scrap Book III, page* 187, *Burton's Library*); and Martha Smyth, who married Jeremiah V. R. Ten Eyck, May 14, 1819. The last years of his life were spent on Grosse Ile, where he died March 9, 1836. He was buried from Ste. Anne's Church and the senate adjourned to attend the funeral March 11. His wife, Prudence, received a

donation lot, No. 33, section 7, on February 17, 1809. (*Diary of Detroit, Manuscript, Burton Library, and Manuscript, Vol.* 34, *page* 29.)

23. The Abbotts were among the wealthy people of Detroit and at the time of the fire lost heavily. Mrs. Abbott (Mary Barkle before her marriage) was the widow of James Abbott, who had died before July 25, 1800. His will was dated May 28, 1799. At the time of the fire she had six children, all of age as follows:

(1) Mary, born 1770, married December 10, 1789, to William Hand, sheriff and registrar of Essex, Kent and Lambton, who died February 20, 1836, at Sandwich, Ontario. Mary died December 22, 1860.

(2) Robert, born 1773 (or May, 1772), married July 24, 1798, Elizabeth Audrain, daughter of Peter Audrain, and died at Detroit, 1852.

(3) James (Judge Abbott), born 1774, married Sarah Whistler, daughter of Major Whistler, and died 1858.

(4) Samuel, born 1775, married Miss St. Croix, of St. Louis, Mo., and settled at Mackinac. She was living at Green Bay, Wisconsin, in 1888.

(5) Frances, born 1776, married Francois Baby, of Windsor, Ontario.

(6) Elizabeth, born 1777, married Hon. James Baby, of Sandwich, Ontario, and died 1812.

Mrs. Abbott died May 30, 1821, at Sandwich, Ont., where she was making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Hand. Her will was probated there June 4, 1821. (*Memorial des Families Casgrain, Baby, Perrault, Appendices G; Records of Church of Assumption, Sandwich, Ont.; Manuscript, Vol.* 34, *page* 48, *Burton Library; Early marriage licenses of Detroit.*)

24. Jean Legard put in a claim for a donation lot May 11, 1807. On May 18, 1807, the claim was taken up. At this time he said that he was an American citizen and had fought in the Revolution; that he took the oath of allegiance to the United States in South Carolina. He said that he signed a paper professing himself to be a British subject through a deception practiced upon him, being told that his family, who were on the way from Vermont to the Territory through Canada, would not be permitted to pass unless he signed the paper. He stated that he

considered himself a citizen of the United States at the time of the fire, and that he was still desirous of being such. The board decided to give him a donation lot. Judge Griffin dissented. (*See Records of the Governor and Judges,* 1805-1836, *page* 78.) Legard had already built on lot 60, section 1, or lot 59, section 1 of the old plan. (*See Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts.*) He was later granted lot 57, section 3, and deed signed May 9, 1809.

25. Mrs. Sarah Sibley, wife of Solomon Sibley, being neither a proprietor nor a tenant, fell into the third class and drew lot 59, section 1, according to the said plan of the city first laid out by Governor Hull and Judge Woodward, upon their arrival after the fire. In the new plan, which was ordered to be drawn up September 8, 1806, this lot became 66, section 1. (*See Hubbard and O'Flynn abstracts.*)

26. Jean Baptist Durette was a baker whose father came to Detroit at an early date. Jean Baptiste was born in Quebec, December 25, 1762, and married at Detroit April 18, 1796, to Mary Ann Renaud, who was born at Detroit January 13, 1774, daughter of Louis Renaud and Mary Ann Casse dit St. Aubin. She died and was buried at Assumption Church, Greinerville, August 11, 1859. They had eight children: Jean Baptiste Durette, born at Detroit January 22, 1797; Archange, born at Detroit, August 4, 1798; Gabriel, born at Detroit, October 26, 1799; Theresa, born at Detroit, May 7, 1801; Francis Elias, born at Detroit, February 2, 1804; Mary Ann, born at Detroit, February 13, 1806; Victoria, born February and baptized March 20, 1809; Mary, born June 23, and baptized July 3, 1811. Jean Baptist had already built upon lot 11, section 4, when it was drawn as Matthew Donovan's donation lot. (*See Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts, page* 193). Mr. Durette was one of those who signed the protest against selling the commons in 1811. In 1812 his name appears on the tax roll for highways for District 5. Governor Cass recommended his oldest son, Jean B., Jr., to West Point in 1820. In 1826 Jean Baptist was living in Hamtramck, and in 1836, his son Gabriel was living on the Fort Gratiot Road, 1½ miles from the city. (*Denissen Genealogy, Manuscript; Newspapers,* 1826 *and* 1836, *and Manuscript in Burton Library*).

27. Matthew Donovan came to Detroit as early as 1794 and started a private school. Among his pupils and patrons were the Askins and Grants. His habits became such that for a time he

lost many of his pupils. In 1798 he wrote a pathetic letter to John Askin, which evidently had the desired effect, for in 1804 he still had "Alick" Askin as a pupil. On June 24, 1805, he owned two lots in Detroit with building materials, stone and brick, upon each lot. His name appeared among the first class of doneés and he drew his lot December 31, 1806. About this time he decided to change his residence for Amherstburg, where one of his daughters was married and living. He made his will on July 8, 1809, and died before July 31, that year. He left a wife, Mary, and several daughters: Catharine Donovan (Mrs. Welsh in Ireland); Mary Fullerton Donovan, unmarried; Sarah Elliott, wife of Matthew Elliott; Elizabeth Nelson, wife of Jonathan Nelson; Margaret Innes, wife of Robert Innes. Mrs. Matthew Donovan, Matthew Elliott and Robert Innes were executors of the will. (*Manuscript, Vol.* 936, *pages* 169, 202, 221; *Vol.* 931, *page* 234; *Vol.* 13, *pages* 18, 19, 26, *Burton Library; Michigan Pioneer Collections; Farmer's History of Detroit, etc., Vol.* 1).

Sarah Donovan was the second wife of Matthew Elliott. She died at Amherstburg in March, 1869.

28. At this point the river front has been reclaimed from Woodbridge Street down. The Merchant's Wharf was located in the middle of the water front on what is now Woodbridge Street, between Griswold Street and Shelby Street.

29. Should be McCloskey. (See Note 18).

30. This was the survey of the park lots.

31. Elijah Brush came to Detroit from Bennington, Vermont, about 1798 after graduating from Dartmouth College. He immediately took a prominent position in the town, both in business and in military affairs. He was admitted to practice in the supreme court at its second session, 1805, was United States attorney, and had charge of many estates. He rose rapidly in the militia, attaining the rank of colonel; was treasurer of the Territory; appointed November 26, 1806, to succeed Bates and as such was treasurer of the Detroit Fund. He was one of the stockholders in Detroit's first bank. He signed the capitulation in 1812, was paroled soon after Hull's surrender and went to Ohio. Returning to Detroit after Proctor's evacuation, he died in a few months, December 14, 1813. By his marriage to Adelaide Askin, daughter of John Askin, of Sandwich, he obtained property known as the Brush farm. They were married February 17,

1802, and had four children: Edmund A., who married Elizabeth Cass Hunt; Charles R., who married Jane C. Forsyth; Alfred B., born 1808, died April 12, 1870, unmarried; Semantha (Cymethia), born November 21, 1813, married George S. Meredith, May 23, 1836, died January 17, 1842. (*See Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 37, *pages* 36, 134 *and* 450; *Manuscript, Vol.* 11, *page* 117; *Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan, Vol. II, page* 1031).

32. Detroit Fund was money which was raised from the sale of lots which were left after all donations were made, and also from the sale of the ten thousand acre tract, the same to be used to build the court house and jail. Mr. Brush had charge of the fund during his lifetime. He was succeeded by Robert Abbott, who served until January, 1830.

33. Henry Hudson was a scapegoat who spent much of his time languishing in the old block house or the jail. At the time of the fire he was in the trading business and was accused of stealing a barrel of coffee from Charles Curry and some silver plates. He managed to clear himself after spending a few days in confinement. In 1816 he was keeping a tavern and doing some trading. At this time he lived at Grosse Pointe. In 1824 he built the second dock in Detroit and was on the census roll in 1827. His wife was Mary Watson. He had a granddaughter, Mary Jane Terry. (*Manuscript Volumes, Burton Library; Records of Supreme Court,* 1805-1815).

34. John Connor was a shoemaker and cobbler who lived in Detroit before the fire and reported that he owned a lot 61x54, with building stone on it and valued at $192. He had already built upon lot No. 5, section 1, before November 1, 1806. It was drawn by Louis Lognon, who relinquished his claim, and was again drawn as a donation lot, this time by Gabriel Richard, who took $100 in lieu of the lot. He served in many offices, was constable of the court of quarter sessions in 1803, appointed marshal December 3, 1804, and again May 6, 1805. At the same time he was appointed clerk of the market and police officer. In 1806 he was appointed ensign of the company of light infantry in the Legionary corps within the bounds of the first regiment of militia in the Territory of Michigan. (*Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan; Sibley papers, Burton Library; Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts, pages* 2, 3, 62).

35. Mrs. Urcelle Cadorette, Urcelle Begras dit Flauvel, was born at Detroit, November 1, 1759, and married Frances Cadoret at Detroit, August 7, 1773. He died and was buried at Detroit, September 26, 1801. Mrs. Cadorette was buried at Detroit, December 5, 1818. She was the mother of thirteen children.

36. John Gentle was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1762, emigrated to Montreal, Canada, in 1783, where he married Martha Roy, a French Canadian. In 1790 they came to Detroit, where Mr. Gentle kept a general store and sold liquors at the foot of Griswold Street. At the time of the fire his losses were estimated at £500. He applied for a donation lot and on September 26, 1807, applied for naturalization papers. His application to become a citizen was refused, which also prevented him from obtaining a donation. Judge Woodward gave the decision against Gentle and his resentment is seen in articles which he wrote for the *Pittsburg Commonwealth* and in the efforts he made to have Woodward and Hull removed. He very shortly moved to Sandwich and took part in the War of 1812 and the rebellion of 1837. In 1812 he was commissary in the British Militia of Essex, Second Regiment; in 1823 captain in the same regiment and held that office until his death. During the War of 1812 he resided in Little York (Toronto), but returned to Sandwich in 1815. He died at the age of 84 in the year 1846. (*Burton Library, Scrap Book,* 51, *page* 34; *Portfolio G, Notes taken from conversation with John R. Gentle his grandson*). His children were John Gentle, born at Detroit, March 24, 1803, married November 4, 1845, Eliza Faulkner; (2) William; (3) Adam; (4) Martha, married Jennings, a Methodist preacher in Toronto; (5) Thomas; and a sixth child, name unknown.

37. Mrs. Sarah Abbott was Sarah Whistler, daughter of Maj. John Whistler, Fort Dearborn, Illinois, and wife of Judge James Abbott. They were married in November, 1804, at Chicago, and returned to Detroit on horseback. She died October 4, 1874, aged eighty-eight years. (*Scrap Book* 5, *page* 45, *Burton Library, an article written in Detroit News Tribune, entitled "Detroit in* 1837"; *see note* 23).

38. John Connor, city marshal in 1805. *Farmer* does not mention another city marshal until 1817. William McD. Scott was United States marshal from 1807 to 1810.

39. Elijah Brush, attorney general.

40. The Detroit Bank was established by an act passed September 19, 1806. The capital stock was not to exceed one million of dollars, to be divided into ten thousand shares. Subscription books should be open the next day and closed in four days thereafter. The life of the bank was fixed at 101 years. The officers were to be a president and four directors. The petitioners for the incorporation of this bank were citizens from eastern states. William Flanagan, of Boston, was sent on to take charge of the bank, to superintend its organization and act as cashier. Judge Woodward was its first president. The company purchased two lots on the north side of Jefferson Avenue, west of Randolph Street and upon these lots erected a small building and opened the bank. Some opposition arose which quickly reached congress and a bill disapproving of the Bank Act was reported in the house of representatives where it passed late in February, 1807. On March 3, 1807, it was passed in the senate and the bank went out of existence. C. M. B.

41. Isaac Jones (see proceedings of board, January 28, 1809, this volume) was a merchant and hat maker in Detroit before the fire. His name appears among those who were here in 1806. The city was incorporated by an act of the governor and judges September 13, 1806, and Isaac Jones was elected to the second council. He was in Detroit as late as 1809, at which time he contracted bills for dyeing materials. (*Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan, Volume* 1, *page* 134; *Manuscripts in Burton Library*).

42. David Stone came from Walpole, New Hampshire. He was in partnership with Shubael Conant & Company and did a good business until the surrender of Detroit on August 16, 1812 Later he was in partnership with Richard Hall Jones until about 1813, when Mr. Jones died. His name appears in the third class of Detroit citizens, showing that he was neither a proprietor nor a tenant at the time of the fire. (*See Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 28, *page* 631; *Supreme Court Case No.* 482; *Detroit,* 1836 *to* 1854, *page* 209; *Manuscripts in Burton Library*).

43. Peter John Desnoyer (Denoyer), jeweler by trade, was a Frenchman born in the parish of St. Barthelmey, August 1, 1772. He came to America at the age of eighteen, expecting to settle upon lands which his father had purchased for him from the Sciota Land Company. Upon reaching this country he found

that his purchases were worthless. He went to Galliopolis and very soon to Pittsburg. In company with Michael Dousman he followed Wayne's army and arrived in Detroit in June, 1796. In July of that year his services were called into requisition by the government as an armourer. He continued in this service until November, 1803, when he resumed his business of silversmith, manufacturing chiefly Indian silverware and trinkets, so highly valued by the savages. He formed a partnership with J. B. Piquette and was burned out in 1805. Mr. Desnoyer married at Detroit, July 30, 1798, Mary Louisa Gobeil, who was born at Detroit, August 1, 1782, daughter of Jean Francis Gobeil and Mary Rose Fortier. Desnoyer died at Detroit, June 4, 1846, and his wife December 14, 1857. Their children were:

(1) Peter, born April 21, 1800; married first, November 5, 1821, Caroline Josephine Leib; second, Ann Hunt Whipple, who was born April 5, 1813.

(2) Mary Louisa Rose, born November 12, 1801; married Louis Dequindre, November 26, 1817.

(3) Charles Chrysologus, born December 5, 1803; buried August 6, 1804.

(4) Emily, born at Assumption, Sandwich, Ontario, July 29, 1805; married George Leib; died at Detroit, May 12, 1838.

(5) Mary Magdelene, born at Detroit, May 17, 1807; buried February 23, 1808.

(6) Victoria, born at Detroit, February 12, 1809; married May 23, 1825, Henry Stephen Cole; buried at Detroit, January 13, 1863.

(7) Charles Robert, born at Detroit, July 7, 1811; married Elizabeth Knaggs, January 8, 1834; died August 16, 1846.

(8) Francis Xavier, born July 29, 1813; married Louise Baird and went to Green Bay, Wisconsin.

(9) Elizabeth, born August 1, 1815; married December 29, 1835, to James A. Van Dyke. He was buried May 8, 1855, and she, July 13, 1895.

(10) Ann Caroline, born October 19, 1818; buried December 23, 1822.

(11) Josephine Silvanie, born at Detroit, May 28, 1821; married September 6, 1847, to Henry Barnard.

(12) Mary Antoinette, born at Detroit, August 17, 1827, buried at Detroit, November 20, 1834.

(*See Denissen's Genealogies Manuscript; Palmer's Early Days in Detroit*).

44. Alice Wilkinson, wife of Dr. Joseph Wilkinson, Jr., and daughter of John Dodemead. (*See Notes* 98 *and* 127).

45. Jacob Nado entered the employ of James Henry on September 12, 1800, and gave him $10.00 of his money to keep for him. His name appears in the third class of citizens entitled to a donation lot. (*Manuscript Ledger No.* 533, *Burton Library*).

46. Mrs. Frerot, Genevieve Rancour, wife of John Francis Frerot, was born at Quebec, October 10, 1741, and was buried at Detroit, May 18, 1813. Her husband was a tenant in the old Town of Detroit and drew his donation lot among the second class citizens. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts; Denissen's Genealogies*).

47. Richard Hall Jones was a merchant in Detroit. His name appears on an election roll in 1799, when he is described as having no property. During the War of 1812 he was very active and was one who signed the protest when Proctor ordered several prominent citizens to leave the city. His name appears to have been substituted for Ephraim Jones in the allotment of donations. He was in third class showing that he was neither a proprietor nor a tenant at the time of the fire. He died sometime between June and December, 1813. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts; Michigan Pioneer Collections; Manuscripts in Burton Library*).

48. Mrs. Catharine Lafoy, Catharine Bourdeau before her marriage to Augustin Lafoy, drew her donation before December 31, 1806. (*Ste. Anne Church Records; Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts*).

49. Mrs. Catharine Metté (Catharine Peltier before her marriage to Theophilus Mette) had drawn lot 45, section 1, as her donation lot. This was erroneously entered by the secretary as lot 45, section 2, which was a part of the military reserve. She received this lot in lieu of the other (lot 45, section 2) upon withdrawing her claim. Theophilus Metté was in the second class, being a tenant but not a proprietor at the time of the fire. He appears as a printer on the title page of one of the large books printed on the press of Father Gabriel Richard in 1812. In 1817 he is mentioned as a book-binder and was probably the first in the city to engage in that business. (*See note* 175a; *Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts; Denissen's Genealogies*).

50. Pomp was a negro servant in the Abbott family. He was with them as late as 1811. His deed was made out to "Pompey Abbott."

51. Mrs. Jane Cook claimed this as her donation, but it was rejected and she received lot 38, section 6, upon which she built. The deed was executed February 17, 1809 (*Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts*). She was Jane Thorn, the daughter of a farmer on St. Clair River, before she became the wife of Abraham Cook. The Cooks kept a boarding house, patronized largely by army officers, and lost everything in the fire of 1805. (*See Sketch of Abraham Cook, note* 171).

52. John Bentley and his wife, Mary, were both entitled to donation lots; John as a tenant in second class, and Mrs. Bentley in the third class. Mr. Bentley's lot was situated just outside the old picket line and on the northwest corner of what is now the intersection of Larned and Griswold Streets. He built a large log cabin on this lot with a garden on the Larned Street side. Here he took his wife Mary and his daughter Sally, wife of Thomas Nolan (Knowland) and her two children. He applied for a license to keep a tavern December 27, 1808. On May 11, 1809, he sold this place to Bridget Belcher. His daughter, Mrs. Nolan, was also entitled to a donation lot and had made application at the same time as her father, November 3, 1806. She obtained lot 82, section 6, on the north side of Bates Street, between Farrar and Randolph Streets, fronting on the little park subsequently known as Deer Park, now occupied by the Metropolitan Police headquarters. Mrs. Nolan erected a dwelling house and her parents and children lived there for some time. Mr. Bentley died about 1816. The children of Thomas Nolan and Sarah Bentley were Sarah (Sally), who married John Scott and became the mother of James Scott, who was born December 20, 1831, and died March 5, 1910, leaving his fortune to the city for a memorial fountain; and Fanny, who married Abraham Noyes. In 1831 Mary Bently, wife of John, purchased a lot on Franklin Street, built upon it and died there November 1, 1846. C. M. B.

53. Augustin Longdon (Langdon, Longan, Langan) was one of the early New Englanders to come to Detroit. After the fire he built on lot 51, section 2, the old plan of the town or lot 58, new plan. *Hubbard and O'Flynn* abstracts say that this order to make a deed for lot 59 was probably an error for 58. This lot

was on the southwest corner of Woodward and Congress. It was low and marshy and Longdon had to fill it in before he could build upon it. This he had done by April 14, 1807. During the War of 1812 Mr. Longdon's house was struck by a shell and the family had a narrow escape (*See Leake's History of Detroit, Volume* 1, *page* 102). In a Detroit paper of March 31, 1820, Mr. Abbott advertises to sell a lot lately belonging to Augustin Longdon, on Woodward Avenue, 22,500 square feet, upon which were a small house, a stable, a large garden and fruit trees. Mary Longdon, the wife of Augustus, died September 21, 1824. He was one of those who, in 1807, signed a petition requesting a lot for a Presbyterian church. He signed his name "Augustin Longan." He was on the census roll in 1827. (*Manuscript, Volume* 450, *page* 146, *Burton Library; Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 12; *Original petition*). Their children were: (1) John Coulter Langan, born in Detroit, December 8, 1801; (2) Patty, born in Detroit, February 15, 1804, died the following 30th of April; (3) Susanne, born in Detroit, May 18, 1805; (4) Bevelly Tailor, born in Detroit, May 8th, 1810; (5) Augustin Harrison, born Detroit, October 5, 1813. Beverlley Tailor (Taylor) Langdon married Jerusha and lived in Greenfield, Mich. Their children were: (1) Sylvester Larned Langdon, born in Greenfield, June 9, 1830; (2) Euphania Sutton, born February 6, 1832; (3) Susanna, born Greenfield, July 1st, 1834; (4) William Woodbridge, born at Greenfield, August 27, 1836; (5) Margaret Rebecca, born at Springwells, November 9, 1839. (*From the Family Bible of Augustin Langan*).

54. Archibald Horner was a cabinet-maker in Detroit. He was a heavy loser in the fire and was among the citizens who willingly consented to the redistribution of property by the governor and judges. He was, however, one of those who protested against the sale of the commons in 1811. He and his wife, Elizabeth, both drew donations. Mr. Horner drew lot 60, section 2, upon which he had already built. The deed was executed February 17, 1809, but not recorded until 1818. Mrs. Horner received lot 52, section 7, as her donation. Upon relinquishment of his lot in the old town Mr. Horner received lot 9, section 1, in the new town. This deed was executed April 26, 1809, and recorded in 1818. He also purchased park lots 28 and 29. Mr. and Mrs. Horner had two daughters: Sarah, who married Lewis Davenport

on June 18, 1827, when the family was living at Brownstown, and Mariah, who died August 24, 1831, aged 20 years at the home of her sister, Mrs. Davenport. Sarah's daughter Anne E., married Dr. George B. Russel, whose son is George H. Russel president of the Peoples' State Bank of Detroit (in 1915). After Mr. Horner's death in 1812, Mrs. Horner married John Walker, and after his death, Elias Pattee, a Methodist preacher. Mrs. Robert Wagstaff was a half sister of Sarah Horner Davenport. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn abstracts; Michigan Pioneer Collections; Sibley Manuscripts, Burton Library; Palmer's Early days in Detroit, page* 550).

55. Charles Poupard dit Lafleur was born at Detroit, September 22, 1755, and on November 25, 1799, married there, Mary Felicity Campau, daughter of Simon Campau and Veronica Bourdeau. Poupard was a heavy loser in the fire, his losses being estimated at 400 pounds. Lot 7, in section 1, was the subject of conflicting claims of Dr. William Brown and Charles Poupard, but was finally deeded to Dr. Brown, and Poupard received lot 96, section 2, as his donation. Felicity, Mrs. Charles Poupard, died at Detroit, April 17, 1804, and in 1808 her mother, widow of Simon Campau, began a suit against Charles Poupard to recover her dower rights in certain property now in the limits of the city, which she had deeded to Poupard. (*See Supreme Court Record, copy in Burton Library, pages* 124, 183). Charles Poupard and his wife had three children: (1) Charles Francis, born at Detroit, October 9, 1800; (2) Simon Poupard, born at Detroit, April 30, 1802, married January 12, 1829, to Genevieve Beaubien, who was born at Detroit, November 21, 1804, daughter of Lambert Beaubien and Genevieve Campau; (3) Mary Magdalene, born April 15, buried April 21, 1804. (*See Denissen's Genealogies, Manuscript*).

56. John Kinzie was the son of John Mackenzie and his wife, Anne, widow of William Haliburton, of Quebec. John was universally known by the name of Kinzie. He was born December 23, 1763. His father died and his mother married in 1764, William Forsyth. They first moved to New York and then in 1768 to Detroit. John Kinzie ran away from home, learned the jeweler's trade and when quite a young man started out to support himself. His family finally discovered his whereabouts and he was taken to Detroit to live with his stepfather. He then turned

his attention to trading with the Indians and established two trading posts, one at Sandusky and one at Maumee. His first wife was Margaret McKenzie, daughter of Isaac McKenzie, of Virginia. She and her younger sister, Elizabeth, had been stolen by the Indians in 1775, when only 10 years old and were found by John Kinzie and a friend of his. She had three children, James, William and Elizabeth; when her father learned of her safety he sought her out and she chose to leave Kinzie and take her children with her. John Kinzie then made his home in his step-father's family and prospered in trade. On March 24, 1798, he married Eleanor Lytle McKillip, daughter of Col. John Lytle, of Pennsylvania, and widow of a British officer, Capt. Daniel McKillip. In October, 1803, he took his family to Chicago, where he had a trading post and there he died January 6, 1828. He had lands in the old town of Detroit, which in the readjustment were covered by new property. He made claim for a donation and received lot 57, section 4. The deed was executed February 17, 1809. On October 28, 1822, Judge Woodward moved that measures be taken to recover for the use of the fund the value of lot 57, section 4, for which a deed heretofore improvidently issued to John Kenzie as a donation lot, and then the following entry was ordered made, "that on the 25th October, present, John Kinzie, did, in presence of the whole board distinctly admit that he acquired no ownership in lot 57, section 4, anterior to the month of December, A. D. 1805."

John Kinzie and Eleanor had the following children: John Harris, born October, 1803; Ellen Marion, born December 20, 1805; Marie, born September 28, 1807; Robert Allen, born February 8, 1810. Mrs. Kinzie had a daughter, Margaret, by her first marriage, who became the wife of Lieut. L. T. Helm. (*See Life of John Kinzie, Chicago's Pioneer by Eleanor L. K. Gordon; Hubbard and O'Flynn abstracts*).

57. Mrs. Catharine Provincal was the widow of Pierre Bourgeat dit Provincal, a blacksmith, of Detroit, who died and was buried October 7, 1796. At the time of the fire, Mrs. Provincal had five children; only two, James, born 1785, and Mary Ann, born 1787, were old enough to receive donation lots. The mother had already built upon lot No. 49, section 1, in the old plan, lot 44 in the new, but did not receive this as her donation. Her lot before the fire was on St. Joseph Street, 48 feet front by 57 feet

deep. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn's abstracts; Denissen's genealogies*).

58. Mrs. Louis Peltier (Teresa Catharine Renaud) was born at Detroit, December 10, 1776. She married Louis Theophile Peltier at Detroit, July 19, 1802. He was the son of Jean Baptiste Peltier and was born April 7, 1775. They had thirteen children, only three of them born before the fire: (1) Teresa, born April 17, 1803, married (first) Charles Stephen Duchene, (second) James Randall; (2) Elizabeth, born April 6, 1804, married Jean Baptiste Deshetres; (3) Ann, born May 26, 1805; (4) Felicity, born June 20, 1807, married (first) Joseph Aubin, (second) Joseph Campau; (5) John Mary, born April 20, 1809; (6) Mary Ann, born May 22, 1810; (7) Julia, born February 18, 1812, was buried February 6, 1814; (8) Archange, born April 18, 1813, married Augustin Chapoton; (9) Louis, born November 19, 1814; (10) Peter, born April 24, 1816; (11) Julia, born December 19, 1817; (12) Justine, born December 24, 1819; (13) Francis, born February 19, 1821, married Mary Matilda Lauson.

Mr. Peltier's name fell into the second class, showing that he was only a tenant in the town. In 1803 he was keeper of the common jail or prison of the county. He died and was buried April 9, 1855. His wife was buried December 19, 1864. (*See Denissen's Genealogies*).

59. Ann Provincal. (*See note* 57).

60. Antoine Peltier, a cousin of Louis Peltier was the son of James Amable Peltier and Magdelene Levasseur, born at Assumption, February 13, 1774, and married at Detroit, November 5, 1800, to Monica Delisle. He was neither a proprietor nor a tenant in the old town. (*Denissen's Genealogies; Original Manuscripts*).

61. James Provincal, oldest child of Mrs. Catharine Provincal. (*See note* 57.)

62. Mary Anne Grefard, wife of Michel Monnette. Michel Monnette was in Detroit as early as 1799, when he bought a supply of beef in October and November and paid for it by "carting." He rented a small house on the commons of John Askin, for which he paid on October 30, 1801, one pound rent for one month. On March 27, 1806, he bound out his son Louis to Jean Baptist Piquet to learn the silversmith trade. The contract was

revoked in 1809. (*See Manuscript, Volume* 100, *page* 13; *Ledgers* 112, *page* 37, *and* 226 *page* 193, *Burton Library*).

63. Probably Mrs. Agnes McLean, wife of David McLean, who died January 1, 1816, leaving his widow, Agnes, and the following children: Agnes, who married Jacob Smoke; Mary, who married Willard Hall; Prudence, the wife of John Young; Rachel, the wife of William Young; Elizabeth, the wife of John Murphy; Martha, who married a man named Roy and was a widow in 1840; John McLean left home about 1830 and nothing was heard of him afterwards; Solomon McLean. David McLean received lots 61 and 62, section 3, after the fire. A law-suit arose in connection with this property some years after his death (1840). (*See Wayne County Chancery Court File* 399).

64. Catherine McNiff was a daughter of Patrick McNiff, who figured quite prominently in the early days in Detroit. He was one of the first surveyors, and came to Detroit while the British were still there. His wife, Catherine McNiff, was born in 1753 and died December 17, 1838. Patrick died some time between 1801-1804. They had at least four children:

(1) Robert, who lived in Detroit at the time of the fire and whose house was the only one not destroyed He was born 1784 and died April 16, 1844.

(2) Margaret, who married Porter Hanks, January 7, 1807. Lieutenant Hanks was in command at Mackinac at the time of its surrender to the British and Indians in 1812. He was paroled and came to Detroit, where he was tried by court martial. During the trial, August 15, 1812, a cannon ball penetrated the court room and killed Hanks. His wife died December 14, 1869, aged 83 years and 3 months. For many years she lived in a house on the north side of Jefferson Avenue, between Bates and Randolph.

(3) Eleanor married Lieut. Jonathan Eastman, October 16, 1808.

(4) Catherine was born in 1788. She lived in Detroit at the time of the fire and received her donation lot. She married Thomas Rowland, July 26, 1814. They had one son Lewis Cass Rowland, who died December 16, 1834, aged 8 years and 7 months. Thomas Rowland died August 13, 1849, aged 65 years. He came to Detroit from Pennsylvania after the War of 1812. Mrs. Rowland died May 20, 1853, aged 65 years. Thomas had a sister, Sarah Griffin, who lived in Detroit and died there August

15, 1846, aged 54 years. Col. Isaac Rowland, adjutant general of Michigan, an older son of Thomas Rowland by a former marriage, married Catherine Armistead Mason, sister of Gov. S. T. Mason, September 10, 1839. They had four children: Elizabeth M. Rowland, Catherine M. Rowland; Thomas Rowland and John Mason, "as baptised, was never called by the name of Rowland." They were all minors in 1851. Isaac was born in 1811 and died June 14, 1850, aged 39 years. C. M. B.

65. John Meldrum was son of George Meldrum and just old enough to receive a donation. (*See Note* 8.)

66. Mrs. Nowlan. (*See Note* 52.)

67. Isidore Peltier was an older brother of Louis Peltier, born in Detroit, January 13, 1773; married there to Sophia Salomon on October 8, 1798, and buried in Detroit March 28, 1815. Mr. Peltier's name fell into the third class, showing that he was neither a proprietor nor a tenant. (*See Denissen's Genealogies; Original Manuscript*).

68. Cecille and Renette were sisters and daughters of Louis Reneau and Mary Anne Casse dit St. Aubin. Cecille was born at Detroit, May 6, 1785, and married Francis Giffard, November 15, 1808. She was buried at Detroit July 29, 1837. Renette (Irene or Reine) was born at Detroit, March 18, 1783, married John B. Tremblay, August 3, 1818. She died of the cholera and was buried at St. Antoine, River Raisin, September 24, 1834. (*See Denissen's Genealogies*).

69. Mrs. Mary Robinson received her donation and made her mark upon the receipt, but there is no deed to her found on file. She was probably the same Mary Louise Hubert who married John Robinson at Montreal. They were married by an English minister and came to Detroit to live. They had two daughters, Victoria, born August 29, 1806, and Matilda, born July 1, 1808, both baptized by the Catholic priest of Detroit. John Robinson was classed among the men who were heads of families but not proprietors of land, in the second class. He rented a house in the old town and was therefore entitled to a donation lot. His wife was in the third class. They probably had other children who were not baptized in the Catholic Church. John died sometime in the late '20s and Hugh Robinson, Archibald Craig and Hugh R. Martin were trustees of his estate. (*Ste. Anne Church Records; O'Flynn and Hubbard's abstracts; Original Manuscripts*).

70. Mrs. Mary Ann Scott, wife of William McDowell Scott, daughter of George Meldrum. (*See Note* 8).

71. Mrs. Richard Smyth; Prudence Brady before marriage. (*See Note* 22).

72. Mrs. Maria Thibault (Marie Genevieve Deleil), wife of Joseph Thibault.

73. Louis Thibault, Jr., son of Louis Thibault, who died and was buried November 28, 1800, and of Marie Anne Mainville, who was buried July 19, 1802.

74. Joseph Voyer, Jr., was the son of Joseph Voyer and Catharine Charier. Joseph, Sr., died and was buried August 24, 1805, his wife dying a few days before him, August 16, 1805. He left a brother, Charles Voyer, of Quebec, and a sister, Marie Therese, who married ——— Ecuyer, devisees in his last will, together with Joseph Voyer, Jr., and William Smith, of Amherstburg. Charles Voyer also had a son, Joseph, who came to live in Detroit about the same time. He married Catharine Godfroy, August 29, 1810, and she was buried November 30, 1811, aged about 22 years. Their only child, Lucy, was buried December 3, 1811, aged 10 days. (*Ste. Anne Church Records, Detroit; Tanguay; Records of Governor and Judges, page* 111).

75. Mrs. Agnes Varnet (this name appears in the records Vernier, Valne, Valney, Vernet, Varnet, Vadney, Vadnait and Vadenai). She was the wife of Nicholas Varnier. (*See Ste. Anne Church Records; Rough Minutes of Governor and Judges, No.* 2A).

76. Mrs. Catharine Watson, wife of John Watson, a tailor, in Detroit. He went from this place about 1821, leaving children behind him. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 8, *p.* 556).

77. Mrs. Elizabeth or Betsy Welch, wife of Thomas Welch, a blacksmith who came to Detroit as early as 1799, and rented a place to carry on his trade on the Macomb plantation. (*See Manuscript, Volumes* 923, *page* 125, *and* 926, *page* 179, *Burton Library.*)

78. Margaret or Peggy Welch was the daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Welch. She married Benjamin Packard. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn abstracts*).

79. William Watson was at this time unmarried, but soon took Victoria Fearson for his wife. They were married by a justice of the peace. William came from Lexington, Ken-

tucky. Victoria was the daughter of John Fearson, who was born in England, November 11, 1753, emigrated to Salem, Massachusetts, and came to Detroit as early as 1793. While in Salem he was captain of a whaler and continued to follow the occupation of captain on the lakes. He died at Detroit June 11, 1835. He married a French lady from Canada, Maria Amable Lajumodiere, who was killed by lightning while sitting in front of her fireplace August 14, 1820. Captain Fearson had other daughters besides Victoria: Clemence Fearson, who married Joseph Andre dit Clark; Felicite, who married George Johnston, of Green Bay, Wisconsin; Julia, who married William Whistler, ensign in United States regulars, and son of Maj. John Whistler, a brother of Mrs. Sarah Abbott. William and Victoria had five children: (1) John, born January 23, 1808; (2) an unnamed child, buried April 19, 1809; (3) William, born November 2, 1811; (4) James, born September 2, 1814; (5) Marianna, born February 11, 1817, who married Cornelius O'Flynn, March 30, 1837, and was the mother of the late Cornelius J. O'Flynn. (*See Bench and Bar of Detroit, by R. E. Ross; Ste. Anne Church Records; Data from C. J. O'Flynn; Manuscripts in Burton Library*). William Watson was one of those who signed the protest against the conduct of Col. Henry Proctor in February, 1813. In 1815 he served on the jury that acquitted A. E. T. Vidal, arrested in Detroit for rioting. (*Michigan Pioneer Collection, Volume* 36).

80. There were two Willermys in Detroit at this time, Maurice (Morice, Morris) and Etienne. They were both in the list of property owners in Detroit in 1806. Etienne was in Detroit as early as 1804 and as late as 1820, when he was a witness at a wedding. He was one of the first to make application for a donation lot, making it through Gabriel Richard on October 3, 1806. In Hull's report of those persons who had drawn their donations before December 31, 1806, "Morice Willermy" appears to have drawn lot 55, section 6. When the plan of the town was changed this became lot 64. On August 16, 1819, Maurice Willermy, who had in the meantime made his home in Monroe County, petitioned for his donation lot. On March 23rd, 1821, he made another effort to get his donation lot and this time it is recorded as refused. (*Ste. Anne Records; Record of the Governor and Judges as Commissioners; Original papers; Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts*).

81. Mrs. Harvey (Sally Wilson), wife of John Harvey and sister of Thomas Wilson. She died after a long illness at Jeffersonville, Indiana, September 19, 1822.

82. John Harvey was born in Birmingham, England, about May 17, 1751. He married Mary Penrice in 1782 and had three daughters: Mary Penrice Harvey, christened October 10, 1783, married to Benjamin Pierce and died 1852; Ann Reynolds, christened in January, 1786, married to William Hart, July 14, 1805, and buried August 18, 1863; Mary Yorke, probably born in 1792, left England October 23, 1822, to join her father in Jeffersonville, Indiana, and resided with him until his death, December 5, 1825. Harvey is supposed to have left England in 1792, just before his youngest daughter was born. He was a peddler in New York City for a time and then came to Detroit as early as 1799. In 1801 he was established as a baker in the town of Detroit and had a bake shop located near the southeast corner of Shelby Street and Jefferson Avenue (or Ste. Anne and St. Honore Street). The fire of 1805 is supposed to have been started in his bake-shop. On September 24, 1807, he took the oath of allegiance becoming a citizen of the United States at Detroit. He was very active in municipal affairs; served on the grand jury several times. In September, 1809, he offered a room in his house free of cost for the use of the court. Sally Wilson appears in the records of the governor and judges as the wife of John Harvey. She received a donation lot as his wife on December 18, 1808, and lived with him until her death, September 19, 1822. In 1809 Harvey and his wife, Sally, sold part of their lands and in 1810 or 1811 started for England. When they reached New York Mrs. Harvey refused to cross the ocean and they returned west, settling at Jeffersonville, Indiana, where Harvey hoped that a projected canal would soon build up a great city. Here they were both affected by the climate and later died. After Mrs. Harvey's death, Maria Yorke Harvey came from England to live with her father. On May 18, 1825, she married Edwin Reeder, and on April 18, 1828, she died, leaving no children. John Harvey had died December 5, 1825, and Edwin Reeder was appointed, on July 13, 1826, administrator of his estate. Shortly after Mrs. Reeder's death he came to Detroit and lived upon the Harvey estate until his death. The property later became the subject of the famous Crane-Reeder suits. (*See Manuscript, Burton Lib-*

rary, Volumes 96, *page* 96; 934, *page* 151; 954, *page* 44; 956, *pages* 90 *and* 223; *C. M. Burton in Gateway, April,* 1910, *pages* 38 *and* 39; *also Michigan Reports, Vols.* 21 *and* 22).

83. Peter Chatron (Chatran, Sharton) came to Detroit as early as 1802, when he had some bills for whiskey. In 1803 he was imprisoned for debt and begged for the privileges and benefits allowed debtors. He was a baker in 1806 and was probably baking for John Harvey, as he frequently ran bills for him as late as 1810. He received his donation lot and sold it to John R. Williams for $10.00 on April 7, 1816. His losses in the fire were inventoried at 31 pounds. While Harvey and his wife were in Jeffersonville, Harvey wrote Solomon Sibley on December 18, 1821, that many people were dying of "typhus"; that Chatron was with him and had suffered so with illness that he would never be able to do anything more. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 1, *page* 347; *Manuscripts in Burton Library; Ste. Anne Church Records*).

84. Mrs. Audrain, Margaret Moore, wife of Peter Audrain. They were married in the east, came to Detroit about 1796 and from that day until his death he held nearly all the important offices of a clerical nature in the town. Peter was born in France in 1725 and came to Pennsylvania during the American Revolution. He took the oath to support the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, becoming a citizen of the United States, October 2, 1781. He lived for a time in Pittsburg and later came to Detroit, where he was appointed prothonotary and judge of probate and nearly all the early records of the settlement are in his beautiful, clear handwriting. He was justice of peace, register of the land office, secretary of Michigan Territory and held other offices. Their children were: James H., born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, December 29, 1781; Elizabeth, born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, November 14, 1783; Maria Caroline, born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, September 24, 1785; Peter Duponce, born in Pittsburg, November 26, 1787; Margaret A., born in Pittsburg, January 24, 1790; Francois, born in Pittsburg, November 10, 1791; Fany, born in Pittsburg, July 13, 1793; Peter, born in Pittsburg, April 13, 1795; St. Clair, born in Detroit, May 6, ——.

Peter, Sr., was removed from office when 94 years old on account of incompetency and old age, in the year 1819. He died October 6, 1820. His daughter, Margaret, was married February

15, 1806, to George Hoffman, who came here as postmaster of Detroit, having been appointed July 29, 1805. Another daughter, Elizabeth Frances, on July 24, 1798, married Robert Abbott, son of James Abbott. (*See Manuscript in Burton Library; Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan; Campau Genealogy, Detroit Tribune, August* 20, 1905*; Gateway, March,* 1910, *page* 36.

85. The name John Anderson appears in old ledgers in Detroit as early as 1802, when he bought leather at James Henry's tannery. In 1805-6 John Askin mentions two John Andersons in his ledgers, one a trader in the Maumee region and the other a saddler in Detroit. The latter is undoubtedly the same young man whose name appears in the third class claimants for a donation lot after the fire, and in some of the records is marked "doubtful." However, he appears to have drawn lot 27, old plan, 28 new plan, section 8. A deed was ordered January 21, 1807, and was filed, unexecuted. Later on, December 19, 1808, another deed was ordered, but there is no record of this on file. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn*). It is quite likely that this is the same John Anderson who again appears in the records. He was born in the east (either Vermont or Connecticut) and attended the West Point Military Academy from October 9, 1806, to December 9, 1807, having received his appointment from Vermont. He served as second lieutenant of artillery in Detroit as early as June, 1809, as appears in an old account book of that year. In 1811 he purchased of William McDowell Scott, lots 52 and 54, section 3, the site of the Mariners' Church on Woodward Avenue. The same year he was appointed executor of the estate of Christopher Tuttle. He served in the War of 1812, at Detroit, and was made prisoner when Hull surrendered. He made an exploring trip into the northwestern and western country soon after, and in 1815-16 surveyed Lake Champlain. In 1817 he was engaged in constructing the military road from Detroit to the Maumee River. In 1818 he was in Washington, D. C., when it was reported that he had died. This was later denied and on August 21, 1818, he married Julia Ann Taylor, a Quakeress of that city. They returned to Detroit in September and in 1819 he surveyed Grosse Isle. They lived where the old Mariners Church now stands. Major Anderson took an interest in the affairs of the town and was very much liked. In 1821 he was elected vice-president of the Moral and Humane Society and in 1823 he bought a share in the Library of

Detroit. In 1826 he was ordered to survey sites and fortifications on the New England coast, Hudson River, and Taunton and Weymouth Canal, Mass. During this absence from Detroit he was breveted lieutenant-colonel for faithful service, ten years in one grade. In 1833 they again returned to Detroit and Colonel Anderson made a survey of the shores of the northwestern lakes. He died September 14, 1834, at Detroit, Mich., aged 59 years. His widow, Julia Ann Taylor Anderson, died October 29, 1842, leaving her property in trust for a church, the Mariners' Church, at the death of her sister Charlotte. Thomas Anderson, of Potts-dam, St. Lawrence County, N. Y., and E. Rood, of Detroit, were among the heirs of John Anderson. (*Detroit Courier,* 1834; *Cullum's Biographical Register of the United States Military Academy; Historical Register and Dictionary of the Army,* 1789-1903; *Wayne County Probate Files, No.* 19; *Original Manuscripts in the Burton Library*).

86. Louis Benjamin drew lot 47 (old plan), 46 (new plan), section 6 and the deed was executed March 18, 1809. There is no conveyance on record nor on file nor is there any receipt by Benjamin on file. On January 20, 1846, Commissioner on claims recommended issuing of deed to them. February 1, 1846, a quit claim deed was executed to Louis Benjamin and his legal heirs and representatives in trust for rightful owners of the lot. (*Hubbard and OFlynn Abstracts, page* 229).

87. There was a Jean Baptist Allard who was on the Brig Adams about this time. On January 22nd, 1789, a Jean Baptiste Allair, son of the defunct Pierre Allair and Therese Rochefort, married Magdelaine Tremble. (*Ste. Anne Church Records; Manuscripts in the Burton Library*).

88. Peregrin Bantrim (Banthan) was a private in Captain Thompson's company at Detroit from 1798-1800. He obtained the deed to his donation lot February 17, 1809. The lot passed by purchase into the hands of Maj. Joseph Farwell, who sold it for $5.00 (the price he paid Bantrim) to George McDougall, on February 13, 1812, who in turn sold it to Charles Jackson (*Manuscript, Volume* 425, *page* 13, *Burton Library; Ledger* 282, *page* 11, *Burton Library*).

89. Widow Isabella Cloutier, possibly Elizabeth, widow of Rene Cloutier, as the name Isabella and Elizabeth were confused

in the records of the Cloutier family. (*Ste. Anne Church Records, Detroit*).

90. Dennis Campau was the youngest of the 12 children of James Campau and Catharine Menard. His sister, Mary Cecilia, born September 11, 1764, married first on May 7, 1781, Thomas Williams and became the mother of John R. Williams. Her second husband was James Lauson (Lozon), whom she married May 1, 1790. She died June 24, 1805. Another sister, Catherine, born June 13, 1779, married Louis Vessiere dit Laferte on June 16, 1800, and was buried October 17, 1854. Dennis Campau's brothers were James, Louis, Joseph, Toussaint, Nicolas Amable and Barnaby. The other children of James Campau died young. James was born February 7, 1766, married on November 26, 1789, to Susanne Cullierie dit Beaubien and died at Detroit, October 5, 1838. Louis was born July 26, 1767, married at Detroit, October 26, 1789, to Teresa Moran. About 1800 he settled on the Clinton River, where he had a general store. He attained much prominence in the locality in his interest in public affairs and was buried at Cottrellville, Michigan, May 13, 1835. Joseph was born February 25, 1769, and married May 18, 1808, to Adelaide DeQuindre. His descendants are among the Chapotons, Campaus and Palms of Detroit. Joseph died at Detroit, July 26, 1863. Toussaint was born October 28, 1771, and was buried March 3, 1810. He never married. Nicolas Amable was born October 20, 1773, never married and was buried September 23, 1811. Barnaby was born June 12, 1775; married first, May 18, 1808, Teresa Cicot; and next, February 26, 1821, Archange McDougall. He was the father of eleven children. By his second marriage he had Alexander Macomb Campau, who died April 1, 1908. Barnaby died October 8, 1845. Dennis Campau was born October 10, 1781; married Felicity de Joncaire dit Chabert May 8, 1812, who was buried February 16, 1814. Dennis committed suicide December 17, 1818, being partially deranged at the time. (*See Denissen's Genealogies; Manuscript, C. M. Burton*).

91. Mrs. Alice Connor, wife of John Connor. (*See Note No.* 34).

92. Mrs. Elizabeth Curry, wife of Charles Curry, formerly wife of Hugh Callahan, married Charles Curry, December 25, 1804, and after his death, which occurred before the fall of 1810, she married James Chittenden. In 1824 William Woodbridge

wished to get her testimony for a case and he wrote a friend that Mrs. Chittenden was sick and infirm and living at the house of Capt. James Chittenden on Grosse Isle. (*Manuscript, Volume* 961, *page* 23, *Burton Library*).

93. As early as 1790 Peter Curry was a ship carpenter on the Detroit River and in 1792 was cutting timber on land on the Rouge River to build vessels for Meldrum and Park and the Northwest Company. Previous to July 1, 1796, he had made and enclosed a small garden on this same land and had erected sheds and huts for the use of men working on the vessels. He entered claim for this land as private claim 340 and it was granted. On May 23, 1810, the property was sold to David Beard. Peter was captain of the Schooner Tracy in 1806. He drew up his will June 3, 1810, witnessed by Richard H. Jones, John Bently and Augustin Langdon and died the same year. He left everything to Catherine Donaghey, formerly Catherine Miller. (*See Note* 209; *American State Papers; Manuscripts in Burton Library; Records of the Supreme Court,* 1805-1814; *Wayne County Probate File* 70).

94. Presque Coté was the son of Presque Coté and Magdelene Lafevre, who came to Detroit in the summer of 1771 and resided on St. Joseph Street. Presque, Sr., was a carpenter by trade and died before the fire. Presque, Jr., was born in Detroit, May 21, 1772, never married, and was buried in Detroit July 17, 1845. His sister, Magdeline Cote, received lot 42, section 6, as a donation lot. His mother, Mrs. Magdelene Cote, received as donation lot 61, section 2, on May 9, 1809, and upon extinguishing her claim in the old town received lot 101 in section 2 on May 5, 1807. She died and was buried at Detroit April 6, 1815. Presque Coté, the son, lived for many years in his house on Woodward Avenue between Louis Davenport's house and a vacant lot on the northwest corner of Larned Street. (*Denissen's Genealogies; Palmer's Early Days in Detroit.*) He bequeathed this lot to Ste. Anne's Church, which still owns it.

95. Bazile (Basil) Crequi, son of John Baptiste Crequi and Magdelene Duchene, was born on the farm in Grosse Pointe in 1781 and married at Detroit February 18, 1806 to Veronique Renaud, daughter of Louis Renaud and Mary Ann Casse, dit St. Aubin. Veronique died and was buried at Detroit May 23,

1823, and Bazile married February 12, 1827, Cecilia Greffard, widow of Ambrose Tremblay. (*Denissen's Genealogies.*)

96. Elizabeth Cooper, formerly Elizabeth Crown, wife of Alexander Cooper, was the mother of David Cooper. David was born in Montreal, Canada, November 25, 1789. His father died when he was a young boy, and he and his mother came to Detroit in 1799. He was bound out to James Henry until he became of age and his mother went to Michilimackinac, where she married a second time. David married Lovicy Mack, daughter of Col. Stephen Mack, in 1820, and had five children, one of them being the Rev. David M. Cooper, of Detroit. David Cooper died in Detroit, a very wealthy man, July 27, 1876. He was buried in Elmwood Cemetery. (*C. M. B.*)

97. Joseph Coté was buried March 13, 1834, aged about 58 years. This date exactly corresponds with the death of one Antoine Coté given in *Denissen's Genealogies,* who was born on January 19, 1776. It is quite possible that Joseph was christened Antoine. Instances of this kind are continually coming to light among the old French families of Detroit. Joseph was confirmed by the Bishop of Quebec in Ste. Anne's church, Detroit, July 2, 1801, when 24 years old. His sister Madeleine was confirmed a few days earlier, aged 26 years. On August 16, 1801, Joseph was appointed on a committee to build the new Church of Ste. Anne. (*See Ste. Anne Church Records, Denissen's Genealogies, Manuscripts.*)

98. Jane Dodemead was a thrifty, energetic woman. Her husband, John Dodemead, is supposed to have come to Detroit either with Robert Rogers or very soon after the British took possession. He was married to Jane ——— at Detroit, December 1, 1780. Their children were:

(1) Alice, born August 22, 1783; died in 1850. She became the wife of Dr. Joseph Wilkinson, Jr., and was living at Fort Edward, Ill., in 1835. (See *notes* 44 *and* 127.)

(2) James, born March 27, 1785; died in 1818.

(3) Elizabeth, born June 10, 1787; married Charles Jouett (government Indian agent.) She died in 1809, leaving a daughter, Jane H., who married Samuel Nothingham Sept. 4, 1823, and died in Christian County, Ky., in 1839. Mr. Jouett was the first Indian agent in Chicago. In 1812 he was appointed judge of Mercer County, Kentucky. In 1815 he returned to Chicago as

Indian agent and remained there until 1818, when he resigned and accepted the appointment of judge of the United States courts for Arkansas. He died in 1834.

(4) Ann was born January 5, 1789, and died 1850. On January 25, 1807, she married Capt. Samuel Dyson, United States Army, commanding the garrison at Detroit. During the war of 1812, Captain Dyson was in command of Fort Washington, District of Columbia, and through a mistake in instructions abandoned his fort and permitted the English to take the City of Washington. He was tried by court martial and dismissed from the army November 17, 1814. He returned to live in Detroit, where he died, leaving his widow and two children, Samuel T. Dyson and Jane Dyson, in later years lovingly called "Aunt Jane Dyson." After Captain Dyson's death Ann married Charles Jackson and had one daughter, Ann, who married, first, Leonard Watkins, and second, Jonathan Thompson.

(5) John George, or John, Jr., was born July 10, 1791, and died, unmarried, in 1813.

(6) Isaac was born July 8, 1793, and died, unmarried, in 1818.

(7) Mary, born March 29, 1796, went to live with her sister, Catherine Varnum, in Chicago, where she died in the spring of 1820.

(8) David was born May 25, 1798, and died in 1836.

(9) Catharine was born April 6, 1800, and when 19 years old, on August 8, 1819, was married to Jacob B. Varnum, factor in the Indian Department at Chicago. In 1833, they were living in Petersburg, Virginia. (*Manuscript, Vol.* 425, *page* 6, *Burton Library.*)

(10) Robert was born April 18, 1803, and died in 1828.

John Dodemead, Sr., was extensively engaged in a mercantile business and at the time of the fire was one of the wealthiest citizens of the town. He lost everything in the destruction of the town and never seemed to recover from the shock. He was one of a committee of citizens who were requested by the governor and judges to draw up a classified list of the citizens of Detroit which would satisfy both the people and the government in distributing the donation lots. This list was handed in October 18, 1806. After the fire he built a large hotel or boarding house on Jefferson Avenue, where Shelby Street cuts through. It was

a favorite resort of the soldiers, and court was frequently held there. After Mr. Dodemead's death in 1812 his wife continued to run the house. There is a tradition in the family that when Hull sought to surrender Detroit he snatched a table cloth from Jane Dodemead's table to use as a flag of truce. Mrs. Dodemead died August 15, 1822, in the sixty-fourth year of her age. (*Detroit Gazette, August* 16 ,1822.) John Dodemead was very active in the affairs of the town, was coroner from 1797-1801; trustee of the town when Detroit was incorporated in 1802; judge of the Court of General Quarter Sessions in May, 1803 and 1804; inspector of customs at Detroit in 1802, and in 1804 had charge of enforcing the ordinance for protecting the city from disorder and fire. (*Original Manuscripts Burton Library, Vol.* 425; *Scrap Books* 4 *and* 5, *Burton Library.*)

99. Mrs. Dyson, Ann Dodemead, wife of Capt. Samuel Dyson. (*See Note* 98.)

100. There was a Durocher, volunteer soldier, in Detroit who rented a small house of Todd and McGill in 1800 and later of Askin. He may have been the Michel Durocher who drew this donation lot. The deed was executed February 17, 1809, and recorded February 12, 1810. On March 8, 1811, he sold his lot to Joseph Coté for $10.00. (*Burton Library Ledgers* 213, *page* 277; *and* 226, *page* 149; *City Records.*)

101. Donovan. (*See Note* 27.)

102. Victoria Fearson. (*See Note on William Watson, No.* 79.)

103. Charles Guoin, jr., son of Charles Francis Gouin and Susanne Boyer, was born at Detroit July 17, 1787, and was buried July 31, 1835. His father was a small boy during Pontiac's siege of Detroit and gave an account of it which is published in the *Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 8, *pages* 344-351. The Gouins were among the early settlers of Detroit. The grandfather of Charles, jr., Claude John Thomas Gouin was born at Ste. Anne de la Perade June 6, 1710, and married at Detroit June 13, 1742, Mary Josephine Cuillerier dit Beaubien. The Gouin farm is private claim 12 and lies east of Woodward Avenue between Russell and Riopelle. It was claimed by Charles, sr.. Charles, Jr. was living in the town at the time of the fire and therefore claimed a lot in the third class. (*American State Papers, Land Claims; Denissen's Genealogies.*)

104. Robert Glass came originally from River Raisin and, at the time he was in Detroit, was not married. He returned to River Raisin, where he was married April 11, 1810, by Israel Ruland, justice of the peace, to Lucinda Tibetts. During the war of 1812 they were driven from their home. Robert enlisted in the United States service for 18 months and Lucinda went to Wayne County, Ohio, where she resided in her brother-in-law's family. They again went to housekeeping but this time in Clinton County, Ohio, and remained there until Robert's death in December, 1815. He left a widow and one daughter in her fifth year. In August, 1819, Lucinda married Daniel Corliss in New York City. She made no effort to claim Glass's property in Detroit until January 22, 1826, when she petitioned for his donation lot or its equivalent. Henry S. Cole applied as trustee and obtained lot 67, section 8. (*Original affidavit in City Hall, Detroit; Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts; Manuscripts Burton Library, Vol.* 930, *page* 163; *see note* 164*a*.)

105. Angelique Godfroy was a daughter of Gabriel Jacques Godfroy and his wife, Marie Catherine Couture. She was born October 12, 1781, married February 9, 1807, to Francis Lacelle, and was buried at Detroit June 1, 1808, which makes it unlikely that she received a deed in her maiden name at the time this deed was ordered, December 1, 1808. In one of the original reports giving the list of donations confirmed and deeds ordered, the name appears "Archange Godfroy." It is more probable that it was Archange who received the lot. She was a younger sister of Angelique, born on March 14, 1786, and married March 1, 1810, to Joseph Bondy. She probably lived in Detroit until 1816 as her husband was buried there November 11 of that year. She died and was buried at St. Antoine, River Raisin, May 1, 1823. (*See Denissen's Genealogies.*)

106. This name is found in the records Gobe, Gobeil, Gobeille, Gobeye, Gobey. John Francis, called Francis Gobeil, was born at Montreal in 1736, married before October 23, 1773, Mary Rose Fortier, who was also born at Montreal, in 1740. He was in Detroit as early as April 23, 1772, accompanied by his brother Joseph. Francis and his wife lived in the old town of Detroit, part of the time on St. Joseph Street and later on St. Louis Street. Francis was buried in Detroit March 17, 1818, and his wife May 7, 1819. Their children were:

(1) Mary Rose, born September 24, and buried October 5, 1775.

(2) Dominic, born June 27 and buried June 31, 1776.

(3) Mary Frances, born June 20 and buried June 28, 1777.

(4) Francis Xavier, born November 29, 1778, married August 1, 1818, Mary Louise Gagnier, who was born at Detroit May 6, 1782, widow of Gregory Belanger, daughter of Isaac Gagnier and Mary Louisa Valle. Francis died before 1827.

(5) John Baptiste, born December 19, 1779, was buried there October 3, 1848.

(6) Charles, born at Detroit July 23, 1781, married before civil magistrate, Richard Smyth, February 15, 1810, Sarah Lagore, born at Montreal in 1796, daughter of John Lagore and Mary Robert. This marriage was ratified at Detroit April 24, 1815. Charles died before 1821 and his wife was buried at Detroit, January 23, 1840.

(7) Mary Louise was born at Detroit August 1, 1782, married there July 30, 1796, Peter John Desnoyers. (*See Note* 43.) Mary Louise was buried December 14, 1857.

(8) Magdelene Gobeil born at Detroit November 2, 1786, was buried there September 24, 1808. (*See Denissen's Genealogies.*)

107. Mrs. Rachel Hatch drew lot 44, section 6, old plan, as her donation. In the new plan this was lot 43. The lot was sold to John Harvey. She was the wife of Roswell (Roswold) Hatch.

107*a*. Miss and Mrs. Hall were mulattos. (*See Hull's original report.*)

108. Jean Baptiste Picquet (Piquet), a silversmith, was born at Montreal in 1781, married at Assumption, Sandwich, Ontario, January 31, 1809, Eleanora Descomps dit Labadie, who was born at Assumption. The couple lived in Detroit, where their children were born. Jean Baptiste died and was buried at Detroit April 25, 1813. He was the son of Charles Amable Piquet and Josetta LeDuc. After his death his widow married Duncan Reid, who died November 30, 1819, and was buried December 2. He was 30 years old at the time of his death and was buried with Masonic honors. Their home at this time was on Jefferson Avenue. On August 28, 1825, Mrs. Reid was married by Rev. Gabriel Richard to Thomas C. Sheldon. Eleanor Labadie Sheldon died and was

buried at Detroit June 5, 1853. Her husband, Thomas C. Sheldon, died June 13, 1854, and was buried at Elmwood Cemetery. Mrs. Sheldon had two sons by her first marriage, John Baptiste Piquet, who was born at Detroit, September 29, 1809, married Angelique Campau, daughter of Barnaby Campau, September 16, 1834, and was buried August 25, 1851, and Charles Piquet, who was born February 4, 1813. By her third marriage she had four children: Rose Charlotte Sheldon, who married Henry Augustus Geisse, of Philadelphia; Alexandrine Macomb Sheldon, who married, first, John Barnaby Campau and, second, Richard Storrs Willis; Thomas P. Sheldon and Eleanor Ann Sheldon. (*Diary of Detroit, Manuscripts in Burton Library; Denissen's Genealogies, Manuscripts; Genealogical Scrap Book, Vol.* 3, *page* 195, *Burton Library.*)

109. Daniel Lasselier (Lazaliere) was a brother of William L. Lazaliere and a son of Jacob Lazaliere, who died in Morris County, New Jersey, in 1808. He was born in Richmond County, New York, and was several years older than his brother William. He must have been in Detroit before the fire as both he and his wife were classed in the second class, tenants in the town at the time of the fire. Daniel left Detroit and on November 5, 1822, made application for his donation lot, which he deeded to Abraham Lazaliere. Abraham deeded it to J. O. Howland. Abraham also owned lands in Washtenaw and Monroe Counties. In 1824 Daniel Lazaliere was living in Junius, Seneca County, New York. (*Index to Deeds; Affidavit of William L. Lazaliere made May* 22, 1824; *Original Manuscripts in Detroit City Hall.*)

110. George Smart, a brother of Robert Smart (*See Note No.* 11) had been a citizen of the United States since 1794. He served on a jury in Detroit in 1801 and was living in 1807, when he signed a petition requesting the governor and judges to grant a lot for a Presbyterian Church. He died before his brother Robert, who became the administrator of his estate. (*See Transactions of Governor and Judges, February* 25, 1809, *this volume; Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts; Manuscripts in Burton Library.*)

111. In Governor Hull's report of those who had drawn their donations before December 31, 1806, Zachariah Battles is designated as being "at Mr. Bentley's." The deed for this lot was made out to John Luckett on March 23, 1808, and a power of

attorney from Luckett to Battles. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts.*)

112. Charles F. Girardin was the father of Jacques Girardin (*See Note* 21) and outlived him at least a year or two. He was a master baker and kept a bake house in the '90s, supplying the troops and townspeople. He was born at Pointe Aux Trembles of Quebec, August 22, 1739. He married Mary Louisa Lecerf dit Lachasse at Montreal. She died before 1785 and Charles Francis came to Detroit where, on September 14, 1785, he married Mary Louisa Leclerc. He was one of the associate justices in the Court of Common Pleas when it was first established, and a member of the first board of trustees of Detroit, serving two terms, until 1803. His second wife was buried in Detroit October 24, 1788. (*Ste. Anne Church Records; Denissen's Genealogies, Manuscripts.*)

113. Thomas Carr died before March 2, 1809, and William McD. Scott was administrator of his estate.

114. Agnes Crequi, wife of Jean Baptiste Comparet, was born at Detroit, January 13, 1777, and married there August 17, 1795. She was buried at Detroit, January 7, 1809, and her heirs were Jean Baptiste (her husband), Frances and Margaret. They obtained the deed to this lot in 1822. (*Denissen's Genealogies; Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts.*)

115. Francis Clair claimed lots 61 and 62, section 3 (these lots were also claimed by David McLean. *See Note* 63) for his ground in the old town and lot 27 old plan (28 new plan), section 7 and section 8 were accredited to him for donation lots. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts.*)

116. According to Hull's report of December 31, 1806, Louis Ducheneau had drawn among the third-class citizens, lot 83, section 7, old plan, or lot No. 46, section 7, new plan. On April 7, 1807, Dr. Brown applied for the deed but the board ordered that Louis Ducheneau attend the meeting and satisfy them of his being an American citizen. A year later the deed was ordered to be made out to Dr. Brown. There was a Louis Duchaineau who died at Detroit and was buried by the priest on December 15, 1807. He was about 60 years old and seems to have left no relations. (*See Transactions of Governor and Judges, April 2, 1807; Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts; Ste. Anne Church Records.*)

117. Pierre Galerno (Gallernau), a volunteer soldier in 1798-1799, became a wood merchant in 1800. He drew as his donation lot No. 48 old plan (47 new plan), section 6. It contained 6000 square feet and was subject to have 150 square feet taken from the southeast corner for an alley. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts; Ledger* 213, *page* 83, *and Ledger* 197, *year* 1798-1799, *Burton Library.*)

118. Lydia Hullibert (Hallibert) was 17 years old at the time of the fire and an inmate of the family of Sol. Sibley. Her birthday was either the 18th or 28th of December. Mr. Sibley entered a petition for her donation lot. (*See original petition and affidavit by Mrs. Sibley, City Hall, Detroit.*)

119. George Welch (Wech) was a son of Bridget Belcher by her first husband. She was probably a widow at the time of the fire and had three children: George Welch, Catherine Welch (or Kittie Belcher, as she was sometimes called), and William Belcher. Mrs. Belcher died in 1815. Catharine was married three times; first, to a Mr. Seymour, who did not live in Detroit. After Seymour's death she returned and married Lieutenant Bailey, who was killed by the Indians. She next married Elijah Willets at Birmingham, Michigan, in 1817 or 1818. George Welch was about 18 years old when Detroit was destroyed by fire. Catharine was 16 or 17, and William 12 or 14. George became a merchant and on November 28, 1814, was married by Rev. Stephen Lindsley, chaplain U. S. A., to Jane Jemison. (*C. M. B.*)

120. Archibald Lyons was the son of George Lyons, an Englishman, who was born in 1753, and Elizabeth Chene, who were married at Detroit in 1782. George was a trader and he and his family lived for some time on Hog (Belle Isle) Island. He owned land in the town on the north side of Ste. Anne Street and a cross road opposite St. Honore Street, but at the time of the fire this had passed into other hands and his wife, married a second time, was living outside of the village. He also owned a lot on the south side of Ste. Anne Street, between St. Honore Street and MacDougall Alley. He died of pleurisy in December, 1794, on the Jones farm, West Detroit. George Lyons and his wife, Elizabeth, had five children: George, Archibald, Rose, Elizabeth and Catharine. Rose married Joseph Campau, January 11, 1814; Catharine married John B. Cochois, January 17, 1815; Elizabeth became a teacher in the Young Ladies Academy,

established in Detroit in 1804 by Gabriel Richard. After the fire she and Angelique Campau taught school at Spring Hill, two miles southwest of Detroit, where the temporary Church of Ste. Anne was located. The school opened September 9, 1808. Archibald Leo Lyons was born at Detroit July 30, 1783. He was an early trapper and spent much time in the woods in Saginaw County. He married a half-breed, French and Indian woman, who was present at the treaty with the Saginaw Indians. His Indian name was Wa-she-ba-ga and his Indian wife's, "Catharine." He had one daughter by this marriage, Elizabeth, born July 15, 1811, and baptized at Detroit May 21, 1813. This child was brought up in the family of Rose Campau, her aunt. Elizabeth's Indian name was Mokitchenoqua. At the treaty of Saginaw a piece of land was set aside for her, and out of this grew a suit in the Chancery Court. (*See Walker Chancery, page* 123.) Elizabeth was married twice. On November 12, 1833, she married Bellamy Lachapelle, who died the following year, and on January 18, 1846, she married John Baptiste Sequin dit Laderoute, who died September 16, 1850. Elizabeth died and was buried July 13, 1871. Archibald Lyons married for his second wife, Elizabeth Lydia Roy. By this marriage he had five children: Archibald, born 1826, died in Libby Prison in 1863; Ann (Nancy) born 1828, married May 15, 1854, Henry William Deare; Catharine, born 1829; George Thomas, born 1831; Charles, born 1835.

Archibald was supposed to have been drowned near Bay City, Michigan, in 1837, and his body never recovered; however, when his daughter Elizabeth was married in 1833 he was spoken of as "defunct." Mrs. George Lyons, his mother, after the death of her husband, married George Knaggs in 1795. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 26, *page* 524; *History of Saginaw County,* 1881, *page* 162; *Ste. Anne Church Records; Original Documents.*)

121. Charles Curry was a merchant in Detroit as early as 1798, as at that time his right to vote was contested and he was described as only "lately arrived, has no property known." For a while he represented the Albany firm of Robison and Martin in Detroit and must have been related to both men, as is inferred from the personal and familiar way in which he writes his business letters to them. He soon became one of the prominent mer-

chants of the town and acquired property. He was elected one of the trustees of the town in 1803 and served as county commissioner the same year. On December 25, 1804, he married Elizabeth Callahan, widow of Hugh Callahan, who also owned property in Detroit. At the time of the fire he was one of those who suffered and when the town was replatted obtained property to cover these losses. This property was lot 1, section 3, known as Curry's Corner, and from it all the measurements of the new plan were taken. It was located on the southwest corner of Woodward and Jefferson Avenues. On February 6, 1806, he was appointed quartermaster to the Legionary Corps of Michigan Militia. On September 30, 1807, he applied to become a citizen of the United States and was admitted. He died and his will was probated in September, 1810. His wife soon after married James Chittenden and is mentioned by J. R. Williams in a letter written in 1813 as Mrs. Chittenden, late Mrs. Curry. (*See Note* 92; *Manuscripts Volumes in Burton Library; Supreme Court Records,* 1805-1815; *Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan; Michigan Pioneer Collections.*)

122. Hugh Callahan (Callaghan, Calligan) is described in 1798 as having "no freehold, is about purchasing a home." He is mentioned in that year as having driven a herd of branded cattle from Hamilton to Detroit, with the assistance of Peter Dillon. He took contracts for furnishing candles and pork for the government, sending them to Fort Wayne and the other stations in the northwest. He had a large contract on hand at the time of his death, which was between March 14 and May 13, 1801. His wife was administratrix of his estate. He owned land in the old town located on the southwest corner of St. Anne Street and McDougall Alley, which ran through to St. Louis Street. His estate, consisting of two lots, at the time of the fire was valued at $382. (*See Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 36; *Manuscript Volumes Burton Library; Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts; Report on Sibley's Election,* 1798.)

123. Hugh R. Martin, of New York State, was one of the land owners in Detroit before the fire. He was also a stockholder in the first Detroit Bank, owning five shares. In 1809 he was on a grand jury which was paneled to investigate into Governor Hull's official conduct. In 1807 he was made quartermaster with the rank of lieutenant in the Legionary Corps. He

filed his petition for a donation lot November 25, 1806, requesting the lot adjoining Charles Curry's fronting on Main Street. He had already built a dwelling house and barn upon the lot. For a time Hugh Martin was in partnership with Curry, representing the firm of Robison and Martin, of Albany. He returned to New York State and served in the war of 1812, was appointed captain of the Thirteenth Infantry March 12, 1812, and major of the Twenty-second Infantry September 12, 1814. He was honorably discharged June 15, 1815. In 1821 and 1822, while residing in Schenectady, he wrote Sol. Sibley asking him to use his influence to get him the appointment of postmaster at that place. (*Manuscripts in Burton Library; Petition for donation, City Hall; Ledgers in Burton Library.*)

124. Louis Lognon (Lonion) was one of the residents of Detroit at the time of the fire, owning property. He drew as his donation, lot 1, section 3, which was also drawn by Charles Curry. He finally received lot 5, section 1. Louis was born in Quebec in 1765 and married in Detroit January 30, 1814, to Mary Louisa Drouillard. He died and was buried at Detroit, January 9, 1823, leaving four minors: Louis, Gilbert, Lucy and Moses. He was owner of the Lognon farm, land at Harrison and National Avenues in Detroit. His widow Mary married Gilbert Bagnall. (*C. M. B.; Denissen's Genealogies; Ste. Anne Church Records.*)

125. Mrs. Margaret McNeal (Neil) was the wife of Daniel McNeal. Before the fire the McNeals owned a lot on old St. Joseph Street, between the house of the Welch heirs and Francis Gobeil. The lot was purchased of James May on May 15, 1802. (*Manuscript, Vol.* 34, *page* 68, *Burton Library.*) At the time of the fire Daniel McNeal's losses were inventoried at $480, besides the value of his lot, which was $266. On June 7, 1807, he purchased of James May lot 64, section 4. He was among the men who petitioned the governor and judges for a lot for a Presbyterian Church in 1807 and signed the protest against the sale of the Detroit Commons in 1811. (*Manuscript, Vol.* 450, *page* 146; *Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 36.) Both Mr. and Mrs. McNeal were dead before 1817, at which time the sons, Daniel, a soldier in the United States Army, and John, a master Mason, of Quebec, P. Q., sold the Detroit property. In these deeds Mrs. McNeal is called "Catharine," but is undoubtedly the

same as "Margaret." (*Manuscript, Vol.* 34, *pages* 62-64, *Burton Library.*)

126. Mrs. Julia Legard, wife of Jean Legard (*see note* 24), claimed this lot as built upon on December 1, 1808. Legard petitioned for his wife and himself for lots 57 and 58, section 3. He had previously petitioned on November 16, 1808, for lot 66, section 1. On the 13th of December, 1808, he petitioned to be allowed to locate his donation on lot 57, section 3, the same lot on which Mrs. Sarah Abbott claimed to have made improvements "for three years back and continued." (*Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts*).

127. Dr. Joseph Wilkinson, jr., married Alice Dodemead, the oldest daughter of John Dodemead (*see note* 98). He was trustee of the town in 1805; coroner in 1804; collector of customs in 1805-1806; was appointed lieutenant in the First Regiment of Militia September 17, 1805, but declined and the position was filled by Benjamin Chittenden. In 1806 his customs accounts were questioned. He was imprisoned and released after an order of June 6, 1809. His bondsman was James Abbott. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 37; *Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan, Vol.* 1.)

128. Francois Lapage came from the Parish of the Island of Perrault, diocese of Quebec. He married Catherine Mette on November 18, 1806. (*Ste. Anne Church Records.*)

129. Abner P. Ackley claimed this lot as built upon. On May 9, 1809, the deed was executed to William Scott, administrator of Ackley's estate. (*See Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts.*)

130. Catharine Godfroy was daughter of Gabriel Jacques Godfroy and Marie Catherine Couture. Her sisters, Angelique and Archange, were also entitled to donation lots. She was born in Detroit March 12, 1789, married August 29, 1810, to Joseph Voyer, and was buried at Detroit November 30, 1811. (*See Denissen's Genealogies.*)

131. This lot (104, section 3) was on the water's edge on the corner of Griswold Street. Peter Bezeau did not receive it because of a ruling of the board in September, 1806, that no donations should be granted on Main Street or between Main Street and the water, as these lots were generally required to adjust old claims. At that time Bezeau and others had already

built upon these lots and their buildings and materials were ordered sold at auction. Peter was probably the oldest child of Joseph Bezeau and Mary Ann Plessis dit Belair, who were married at Montreal September 10, 1781, and seem to have come to Detroit about 1792. Joseph was a carpenter and in 1798 rented a house belonging to John Askin, near Mr. Campau's house. Joseph's wife died and was buried at Detroit November 3, 1803. There is no record of the burial of Joseph or Peter in Ste. Anne's. A young daughter, Archange, was buried October 1, 1808, at St. Antoine, River Raisin. The family may have gone there to live as the name is found there. (*Denissen's Genealogies; Ledger* 213, *pages* 72, 77, 319, *Burton Library.*)

132. Monique F. Labadie was daughter of Pierre Descomptes Labadie, who built the old Labadie house on the Labadie farm, now called the Porter farm. Her sisters, Josette, married Whitmore Knaggs and Margaret, married James May. Monique was born at Detroit June 2, 1787, and married Antoine Beaubien on February 23, 1829. She taught school with Elizabeth Lyons and Elizabeth Williams (sister of John R. Williams) in a building which stood on the east side of Randolph Street between Larned and Congress Streets. Elizabeth Williams was among the earliest applicants for a donation lot for a girls' school, having applied on October 3, 1806, together with Angelique Campau. Monique died at Detroit, December 22, 1851, and was buried in Mt. Elliott Cemetery. (*See Denissen's Genealogies; Knaggs' Genealogy, pages* 15, 17, 26.)

133. Nancy Thorn Geel was the wife of Abraham Geel (Gill, McGill), a blacksmith in Detroit before the fire. Mr. Geel was one of those who signed the petition requesting a lot for a Presbyterian Church in 1807. In 1812 he was serving in the war with the rank of first lieutenant. He was sent to River Raisin that year on duty. He died some time before July 26, 1814. In 1833 the city made plans to open Larned Street across Randolph, cutting off some of the property held by his heirs. His daughter Caroline married Jefferson Morrison, February 17, 1836. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vols.* 8 *and* 26; *Manuscripts in Burton Library; Common Council Proceedings for year* 1833.)

134. William Allen was a tanner in Detroit as early as 1800. In 1802 his taxable property, a house and lot 50 feet front by 1 arpent in depth, was valued at 100 piasters. He was the son of

John Allen and Marguerite Healy, of Maryland, Protestants. On September 21, 1801, he married at Detroit, Clair Rhode (Rode), a daughter of Girard Rhode and an Indian woman. Clair was baptized when 8 months old, on June 17, 1785. At the marriage, Allen promised to allow the children to be brought up in the Roman Catholic faith. Their children were all born in Detroit; Joseph, born March 23, 1803; Catherine, born March, 1805; Margaret, born October 22, 1807; Charles, born October 20, 1809. There was also at Detroit a William Allen, who married Elizabeth Fleming. They were both Protestants. Their daughter, Mary Allen, was born July 5, 1815, and baptized later in the month, neither parent being present. (*Ste. Anne's Church Records; Dennisen's Genealogies*).

135. Robert Abbott was a brother of Judge James Abbott and son of James and Mary Abbott (*See Note* 23). Robert was the third treasurer of the Territory of Michigan, and as such became the treasurer of the Detroit Fund from 1813-1830. He was the first auditor general of Michigan, 1836-1839; county commissioner, 1819. When the Town of Detroit was incorporated in 1802 he was assessor and in 1803 he was trustee. He lived some time in Mackinac, where his brother Samuel was interested in the fur trade. He died in Detroit in 1852.

136. Mrs. Cook (Jane Thorn). (*See note on Abraham Cook, No.* 171).

137. Isaac Day and his wife, Mary, came to Detroit sometime before the fire and seem to have been employed about the tannery of James Henry. On May 1, 1805, they were paid by him for seven months' services. Isaac was a sort of jack-of-all trades. He was keeper of the old block house on Jefferson Avenue between Brush and Randolph Streets, used as a jail. Part of this structure was used for a public weighing house and Day was weighmaster and also auctioneer. He had a son, Moses Day, well known in later days. Dr. Whiting said that Day was called "General" and that he was very precise and military looking. In 1818 Day was appointed chimney sweeper by the board of trustees. He was also at one time crier of the Territorial supreme court. He resided in the new town many years. (*Scrap Book* 3, *page* 100, *notes by R. B. R., Burton Library; Ledger in Burton Library No.* 247).

138. John Dilhet was a Sulpitian priest who came to America about 1796. In 1797 he was sent west with Gabriel Richard to succeed Levadoux in his ministry in and about Detroit. Dilhet went to the River Raisin, where he remained some time as a missionary priest and Richard to Detroit. In 1802 he seems to have spent some time in Detroit and in 1804 he came to Detroit in order to help Richard with his many duties. He also started a clerical school, which he continued up to the time of his departure and then left it in the hands of Richard. He left Detroit on October 14, 1805. The deed for his lot never seems to have been recorded. (*See Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts; Dilhet's Manuscript Account of the Catholic Church in America, Burton Library; Ste. Anne's Church Records*).

139. Thomas Coles' (Cowles) name was among the people in Detroit who were entitled to a donation lot, but neither proprietors nor tenants. At the time his donation was drawn he was at Mackinac and J. Anderson appeared as his attorney. From some accounts it would appear that he was a tinsmith. Later he settled in Monguagon where, in 1826, he died. Abraham C. Truax and John A. Rucker were commissioners of his estate. (*Detroit Herald, June* 9, 1826; *Manuscripts in Burton Library.*)

140. Albert Hill appears among the third class citizens. The word "dubious" follows his name in the records, questioning his right to a donation. However, he was allowed to draw a lot and did so December 31, 1806. In one record his name appears "Abraham" Hill.

141. Benjamin Chittenden claimed lot 38, section 8 (new plan), as built upon and by some error the deed was made out lot 35. He was not a proprietor nor the head of a family at the time of the fire. Judges Woodward and Bates placed him in fourth class. His name was omitted in the report handed in by Dodemead and others. Benjamin was a carpenter and had a cabinet shop next to Louis Lognon's bakery. He was in business in Detroit as early as 1802 and was still living here in 1822. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 31, *page* 582; *Manuscripts in Burton Library*).

142. Robert Monroe was in Detroit as early as 1803, when he was fined for keeping a "stove pipe," which at that time was an offence against the fire protection ordinance. He refused to pay his fine, but upon removing the "nuisance" was excused. He

was agent of the public stores and attorney to settle the estate of John Francis Hamtramck. In 1805 he wrote Governor Harrison an account of the fire. He left Detroit in 1806, traveling to Washington, D. C., New York City and finally went to Kingston, Jamaica, where he visited a brother, a practicing lawyer, whom he had not seen for twelve years. He again returned to America. He died at Washington, D. C. His will was proved and allowed May 14, 1819. The executors named in the will were James Kincaid and John Murdock. Munroe left two sons, Robert and James, who were in Pennsylvania in 1827. (*Sibley Papers; Farmers' History of Detroit and Michigan, Vol.* 1, *page* 490).

143. John Skeiggs; this name appears in the records Skeggs, Skaggs, John S. Keggs.

144. Col. Henry Burbeck, colonel of artillery and engineer department, honorably discharged June 15, 1815, died October 2, 1848.

145. Gen. Henry Dearborn, secretary of war, 1801-1809; commander of the Army of the Northwest during the War of 1812; president of the court martial in the trial of Gov. William Hull for the surrender of Detroit.

146. Antoine Nevue dit Francoeur was born at Montreal in 1783 and married at Detroit, April 29, 1806, Geneveva Houde, who was born at Detroit, November 10, 1788, daughter of Michael Houde and Mary Lemay (Meny, according to Denissen). Geneveva died of cholera and was buried at Detroit, August 18, 1834. Between the 1st and 20th of August that year 189 persons died of cholera in Detroit. Antoine was buried at Detroit, June 30, 1850. He was a house carpenter and purchased lot 74, section 1, of Solomon Sibley, May 26, 1817. This lot had formerly been the property of William Flanagan who, upon his death, left it to his father, Barnabas, who in his turn deeded it to Sol. Sibley. (*Denissen's genealogies; Abbott papers, Vol.* 34, *page* 59, *Burton Library; Ste. Anne Church Records*).

147. Benjamin Woodworth, the famous hotel-keeper, came to Detroit from Scituate, Massachusetts, about 1806. He was a carpenter by trade and was soon engaged in building. He erected a house for himself on the northwest corner of Randolph and Woodbridge Streets in 1807 and subsequently enlarged it into the noted Steamboat Hotel. Here he lived until 1846, except during the years 1812-1813. On July 26, 1807, he was married by the

justice of the peace, George McDougall, to Rachel Dicks. She came from Grosse Isle and died in 1856. They had two sons and two daughters. One of the sons was drowned at the foot of Randolph Street; the other, Samuel, helped his father for many years in the hotel. He finally bought a boat, of which he was the captain, and was killed in an explosion on the vessel. The daughters both married; one before 1830. The other, Ann, married Simon Brown, who became colonel of Michigan cavalry. The hotel burned down in 1848. (*Palmer's Early Days in Detroit; Case of Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank vs. City of Detroit, File* 294, *Chancery*).

148. Conrad Seek was stolen, with a younger brother, from their home in Kentucky, by a band of Indians from the frontier. Later he was purchased by a trader and taken to Montreal, where he learned the tailor's trade. His brother remained with the Indians until his death in 1826 or 7. Conrad was in Detroit some time before the fire and owned a lot on the south side of St. Louis Street, west of Campau Alley, very near the Merchants' Wharf, and valued at $123.50. He followed his trade as a tailor and inventoried his loss at the time of the fire at 260 pounds. He was appointed collector of the town in 1802 to fill the place vacated by William Smith. In 1804 he was appointed constable. On October 2, 1805, he was appointed lieutenant in the First Regiment. He was one of those who protested against the sale of the commons in 1811 and he signed the resolutions against the orders of General Proctor, February 1, 1813. He married Mary Morrison, and their children were: (1) Nicholas, who died at Fort Meigs, February 1826, aged 25 years; (2) Elizabeth, born 1805, married at Detroit, August 30, 1825, Charles Rousseau; Elizabeth was buried at Detroit, August 16, 1826; (3) Mary, born September 23, 1806, baptized November 7, 1807, married by civil magistrate to Martin Story on January 29, 1826; (4) James, born at Detroit, April 21, 1808; (5) Robert Helvin, born at Detroit, January 25, 1810; (6) Catherine, born at Detroit, March 9, 1812, buried there September 30, 1812; (7) a son born at St. Antoine, Raisin River, December 13, 1816, buried December 14, 1816. (*See Denissen's Genealogies; Diary of Detroit, Volume* 5, *page* 64; *Manuscripts in Burton Library*).

149. Oliver W. Miller was a merchant in Detroit in 1806. He came from Salt Springs Point, Onondaga County, New York.

He was married December 15, 1813, to Pelagie Maisonville, by Stephen Lindsley, chaplain, U. S. A. Oliver died and his will was probated December 20th, 1830. He left all of his property to his wife, Pelagie, and a son, William Warner Miller, born October 2, 1814. James Abbott and Elon Farnsworth were the executors of his will. (*Manuscripts, Burton Library*).

150. Michael Fox was a butcher in Detroit. Hugh R. Martin was his attorney in settling for his donation lot. (*Manuscripts, Burton Library*).

151. Israel Hunt was an early shoemaker in Detroit. On December 17, 1803, he was appointed inspector of the fire regulations. After the fire he went to New York City and had some correspondence with Solomon Sibley in settling his affairs and getting his donation lot. (*Manuscripts, Burton Library*).

152. Mrs. Richard Smyth.

153. Elizabeth McBride or Mrs. Betty McBryde.

154. Henry Bird built old Fort Lernoult in 1777, when the British held Detroit. He was a leader in the Indian incursions in the Ohio country in the revolution and was said to be the leader at the Massacre of Wyoming. He owned a large piece of land, including Congress Street, west of Griswold. He died on an expedition to Egypt in 1801 after serving 37 years in the army, leaving his America property to his son, Henry, and another son. He was survived by a widow and twelve children. On March 14, 1807, his heirs claimed a lot lying on the upper side of lot 73, in section 2, in the center of the section. The deed was confirmed February 17, 1809. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volumes 24 and 25; Notes by C. M. Burton; Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts*).

155. The present Jefferson Avenue cut through the Brush farm.

156. Reuben Atwater, son of Reuben Atwater and his wife, Mary Russell, was born May 11, 1768, and lived for some time in Wallingford, Ct. He married first, Eliza Willard, and second Sarah, daughter of Gen. John Lamb and Catharine Jandine. Reuben, Jr., was secretary of the Territory of Michigan from 1808-1814 under Gen. William Hull, and during the same period was collector of the port of Detroit. The census of the territory in 1810 was taken under his direction. In 1811-1812 he was acting governor. He also acted as land commissioner until Feb-

ruary, 1811. Atwater Street was named in his honor. He died in February, 1831. He had two children, Catharine and Clinton Edward. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 37, *page* 449).

157. Jean Simare (Simar, Simard, Simmard) served on a jury in 1803 and was appointed an axman in the early fire department, September 26, 1803. Part of his land fell in the street adjoining Solomon Sibley's ground. He died January 2, 1814, aged about 55 years, and was buried on the 4th of the month in the presence of Gabriel Richard and Etienne Roussel, his nephew. His sister, Pelagie Simare, married Joseph Roussel. She was a native of the parish of St. Francois, diocese of Quebec. (*Ste. Anne Church Records; Transactions of the Governor and Judges*).

158. Abijah Hull was probably a relative of Governor Hull, and was by him appointed his aide-de-camp with the rank of major in militia. He was also surveyor of the Territory of Michigan and justice of peace in the District of Michigan. He resigned August 2, 1808, and left the territory. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections*).

159. James May, a native of Birmingham, England, came to Detroit in 1778, aged 22 years. (*Sheldon's History of Michigan* gives a short sketch of him in the preface and his picture appears in the volume on page 364). He held many important positions, was the first chief justice of the court of common pleas, 1800-1807; marshal of the Territory; justice of peace; colonel of militia. On September 30, 1797, he married Margaret Labadie, who was 18 years old. He was a heavy loser in the fire, his losses being inventoried at $1,000. After the fire he collected the stones which composed chimneys of the old houses and built a house, which in 1836 was used as a hotel, the Mansion House, on Jefferson Avenue. He was a very large man, weighing 340 pounds. His eighth child, Augusta Caroline, married Alexander D. Frazer, of Detroit, when she was 15 years and 2 months. Mr. May died January 19, 1829, aged 73 years. (*Gateway, November,* 1909, *page* 41; *Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 36, *page* 137).

160. Jane McClemens, later Jane Purdy.

161 Conrad Ten Eyck, of Dutch extraction, was born about 1782 and came to Detroit in 1801, when 19 years of age. His father was Abraham Ten Eyck, of Albany, New York, and his

mother Ann. Mr. Ten Eyck, upon coming to Detroit, set himself up as a merchant. After the fire he located on Jefferson Avenue, near Woodward, and remained there many years. He was one of the prominent citizens of the town; was at one time county treasurer and at another United States marshal. At Hull's surrender of Deroit he was ordered to leave the city, but returned after Perry's victory. He had several children: William, Charles B., Caroline, Mrs. Maria Schloss of Dearborn, Mrs. Sarah Thompkins of Dearborn, Mrs. Jane Fisher (wife of Merrit Fisher) of Grosse Pointe, and Mrs. Helen Roberts of Grand Rapids. Mr. Ten Eyck died at Dearborn, August 23, 1847. His brother, Jeremiah Van Rensselaer Ten Eyck, was also a prominent Detroiter. (*Winder's Memoirs.*)

162. William Flanagan, of Boston, was sent to Detroit in 1806 by eastern capitalists to be cashier of the Bank of Detroit, of which they were promoters. He was a stockholder, holding 250 shares. He died intestate September 1, 1815, and Solomon Sibley was appointed administrator of his estate. His father, Barnabas, was his only heir and in 1818 seemed to be living in Westminister, Massachusetts. (*Manuscripts, Burton Library*).

163. Joseph Hosford was the Detroit agent for Sanders & Ogden, of Albany, New York, before the fire. He went into business for himself in 1807. (*Sander's letters, Burton Library*).

164. Angus McIntosh was one of the early Indian traders in the northwest and factor of the Hudson Bay Company. In 1788 he married Archange de St. Martin. Their daughter, Ann, married Henry Jackson Hunt and Catharine (Kitty) became matron of St. Luke's Hospital and Church Home. At the time of Jay's treaty McIntosh elected to remain a British subject. He owned property in Detroit, but lived at Sandwich in a house called the old Moy house. Late in life he fell heir to a landed estate called Moy, Scotland. He died at Moy Hall, Scotland, January 25, 1833, his wife died at Sandwich and was buried there July 13, 1827. (*Denissen's Genealogies; The Township of Sandwich, Past and Present, by Fred Neal, page* 8).

164a. Robert Glass had drawn lot 67, section 8, as his donation and a deed for that lot was ordered December 19, 1808. By some error, lot 70, section 8, was entered on the journal as deeded to him. When Henry S. Cole applied for the lot for Mrs. Corliss, formerly Mrs. Glass, it had been sold to Thomas Palmer. She

relinquished her claim to lot 70 and a deed to lot 67 was made out to her. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts*).

165. James McGill, a merchant in Montreal and founder of McGill College, Montreal, and Isaac Todd, an Irish gentleman, also of Montreal, were partners in a mercantile business. They both owned property in Detroit, which they obtained through their agent, John Askin. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 37, *page* 440).

166. Thomas Parker was a negro and at one time was employed in the Hull family.

167. William Robertson was an early merchant who settled at Detroit in 1782. When the Americans took Detroit he elected to remain a British subject and moved across the river. He was prominent in public affairs and was justice of the court of common pleas in 1788. He was appointed member of Simcoe's first executive council, but had by that time settled in England and does not appear to have returned to Canada again. (*Ontario Bureau of Archives Report,* 1905, *introduction*).

168. Andrew Dexter, Jr., son of Andrew and brother of Samuel Dexter, of Boston, was one of the original stockholders of the Detroit Bank and owned 1,000 shares. Both his father and brother came to Detroit authorized to co-operate with the Detroit people in organizing a bank. The elder Andrew was an older brother of Samuel Dexter, Secretary of War in 1800 and Secretary of the Treasury. Andrew, Sr., was a merchant in Boston. Andrew, Jr., was a lawyer and banker. He built the Boston Exchange, was president of the Boston Bank about the time he was negotiating for the bank in Detroit. He was the founder of Montgomery, Alabama, and died there of yellow fever, November 2, 1837. It was his cousin, Judge Samuel W. Dexter, son of Samuel Dexter, Secretary of War, in whose honor Dexter, Michigan, was named. (*See Dexter Genealogy, New York,* 1904).

169. Mary, or Polly Ball, was a waiting maid for James Henry. She was 30 years old when James Henry put in an application for her donation lot, October 15, 1806. (*Original manuscripts, Petition No.* 17, *etc.*).

170. John Burnett was the second son of William Burnett and Kakima (Cakima), an Indian princess, sister of Chief Topinabee. His father was an Indian trader and he gave his children

all the best advantages of the day, sending them to Detroit to be educated. John was an ensign in the militia in 1805 and second adjutant with the rank of lieutenant in 1807. His sister Rebecca was educated in the May family and remained there 23 years. Her daughter, Martha, married Francis Palms. Rebecca Burnett was buried at Detroit, May 17, 1841, aged 50 years, in the presence of Francis Palms. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 30; *Denissen's Genealogies*).

171. Abraham Cook was born in Trenton, New Jersey, in 1774, son of a farmer. Tradition says that the became a drummer in the regular army when 20 years old and probably came to Detroit in 1796. He came here as an orphan with no relatives except a sister, Mrs. Dickson, of Ypsilanti. He was quite successful in the lumber business in Detroit and in general trade. He married Jane Thorn (*See Note* 51) and kept a boarding house in Detroit. At the time of the fire he lost everything. An inventory of his losses totaled $897.50. After the fire he built a house upon land which proved to be lot 10, section 1, and a deed of this lot was made out to him after some controversy. He was enrolled in the militia during the war of 1812 and lost a finger on his left hand in a skirmish. When Proctor ordered many of the citizens to leave the city, he was passed over. He acquired a great deal of land in Hamtramck Township between 1811 and 1818, moved his family there and took up his residence. In 1826 his wife died and he moved into the city on the north side of Atwater Street, between Rivard and Riopelle. He afterwards married Mrs. William Thorn, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Cottrell. Mrs. Thorn was the widow of a brother of the first Mrs. Abraham Cook. Mr. Cook died at his Atwater Street residence, December 28, 1847. His children, all by his first marriage, were: Henry Snelling Cook, who died in boyhood; Richard Cook, who died unmarried; John Cook, who died unmarried in California; Otis Cook, unmarried; James H. Cook; Joseph Cook; Eliza Cook, who married first Thomas S. Knapp, and second, John Owen; and Jane Cook, who married John Owen. (*Stephen's Elm Park subdivision abstract, Abraham Cook's estate, Probate File* 1432; *Scrap Book* 5, *page* 55, *Burton Library*).

172. Angelique Cadoret, daughter of Mrs. Ursule Cadoret, was born at Detroit, March 11, 1786, married February 10, 1807,

Joseph Chulde dit Belair, who was born in 1764. His first wife was Jean Revau dit Lajeunesse. (*Denissen's Genealogies*).

173. Henry Jackson Hunt, the eldest son of Col. Thomas Hunt, of Revolutionary fame, was born at Watertown, Massachusetts, in 1788, and went west with his father to Wayne County, Indiana, in 1798. They soon came to Detroit. Thomas Hunt died at Belle Fontaine, Missouri, August 18, 1809, leaving seven sons and four daughters for Henry to help bring up. He became one of the leading merchants of Detroit and also held many public offices. He started to practice law with his brother-in-law, Abraham Edwards, after the war of 1812. In 1826 he was elected mayor of the city, but died September 15, 1826, before the expiration of his term. His wife was Ann McIntosh, daughter of Angus McIntosh, of Sandwich. In 1836 she became engaged to marry Capt. Daniel Baker, U. S. A., but he died before they were married. She died at Detroit, December 14, 1856. (*Scrap Book No.* 3, *pages* 156-7, *Burton Library; Gateway, February,* 1905, *page* 33).

174. George Hoffman was the son of Christian and Anna Hoffman. Christian was born October 7, 1757, and Anna, August 6, 1765. Their children were: Peter, born July 15, 1779; George, born January 29, 1783; Joseph, May 27, 1784; John, June 22, 1786; Rachel, January 18, 1789; Daniel, July 27, 1791; Abraham, September 16, 1794; Adam and Catharine, March 4, 1797; Margaret, November 21, 1798; David, November 10, 1804. George was postmaster at Woodstock, Virginia, in 1801-2 and was appointed postmaster at Detroit, Michigan, July 29, 1805. He was admitted to the bar after coming to Detroit, September 17, 1805, and served, in 1806, as collector of customs and inspector of the post at Michilimackinac. On February 15, 1806, he married Margaretta Audrain. He died March 2, 1810, leaving a widow and a son, George Washington Hoffman. His widow was married December 2, 1813, by Stephen Lindsley, chaplain U. S. A., to Col. Samuel Welles. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volumes* 36, 37; *Manuscript records, Burton Library*).

175. Dr. William McCoskry was a brother of Dr. Samuel Allen McCoskry, of Revolutionary fame, and uncle of Bishop Samuel Allen McCoskry, of Detroit. He was born in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, about 1763, and upon the formation of the legion-

ary army under Gen. Anthony Wayne in 1792, was appointed surgeon mate in the second sub-legion and followed the army for more than two years. He accompanied the army of Wayne to Detroit in 1796 and there remained army surgeon for sometime. He resigned his position in 1803 and then took up private practice. On September 21, 1814, he married Felicite Chambers. They lived in a house on the corner of Woodbridge and Randolph Streets, opposite the Steamboat or Woodworth's tavern, and William died there May 16, 1831, leaving his wife, Felicite, a daughter, Caroline, and a son, Alfred. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 36; *Detroit Free Press and Michigan Intelligencer, May* 19, 1831.)

175a. Theophilus Metté, son of Joseph Metté and Catherine Dufour, was born on the Ottawa coast or the south side of the Detroit River on the morning of November 24, 1764. He married at Assumption, Sandwich, May 14, 1787, Catherine Peltier, who was born at that place July 30, 1771, daughter of Andrew Peltier and Catharine Meloche. (*Denissen's Genealogies*).

176. Joseph Pinard was a hired man in the Abbott family. He died August 14, 1814, aged about 60 years, and was buried on the 15th in the presence of Francois Gobeil and Etienne Dubois, chanter. (*Ste. Anne's Church Records; Original documents*).

177. Andre Raimon was an inhabitant of the town at the time of the fire and was living with William McD. Scott, on October 31, 1806, when he petitioned for lots for himself and wife. He died before 1824 and Melvin Dorr was administrator of his estate. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn abstracts; Original petitions*).

178. These were "Park lots."

179. Patrick Fitzpatrick was a mariner and figured in a law suit, tried by Sibley, as early as 1800. He remained in Detroit for some years, his name appearing in *Ste. Anne's Church records* as late as July 31, 1822. (*Sibley Papers*).

180. George McDougall was the son of George McDougall and Mary Frances Navarre. He became one of the prominent men of Detroit and held many important offices. He was admitted to the bar October 11, 1811, and was actively interested in the war of 1812. He never married. He spent his declining years as lighthouse keeper for the government on St. Clair River

and died there in 1833. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume 36, pages* 210-211; *Sketch of McDougall by C. M. Burton*).

181. John Palmer was an Irishman, who came to Detroit about the time of the fire and kept an inn. He was married by civil marriage to Archange Trembly. They had six children. At the time Palmer's estate was probated, February 28, 1831, four of the children, Thomas, Oliver Perry, Ruthy Ann, Mary Ann, were under fourteen years of age. Palmer died in December, 1826, and his wife married William Simmons. There was another John Palmer, brother of Thomas and Friend Palmer, who came to Detroit about the same time. (*Ste. Anne Church records; C. M. Burton*).

182. Jacob Sanders was the son of John Sanders, of the firm Sanders & Ogden. John Sanders lived at Scotia, near Schenectady, New York. Jacob came to Detroit for a few months to look after the business of the firm during the illness of Robert, his brother, who was agent from 1806-1810. (*Sanders letters, Burton Library*).

183. Daniel Stevens was a blacksmith in Detroit. He purchased these lots and also a piece of land on the Coté de Poux of James May. He was in the employ of James Henry and William Russell in 1808-1809. (*Manuscripts, Burton Library*).

184. John R. Williams, son of Thomas Williams, first mayor of Detroit. (*Sketch of life in Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan, Volume* 2, *page* 1031).

185. Major John Whipple came from Massachusetts to the Northwest Territory shortly after 1796. He was an officer in the United States army, stationed at Detroit and was a friend of Hull's, through whose influence he received an appointment as associate judge of the territorial district court in 1809. In 1818 he was proprietor of the Mansion House and kept this until 1824. He was register of deeds from 1826 to 1830 and in that year was appointed keeper of the lighthouse at La Plaisance Bay. In 1800 he married Archange Pelletier and had a large family of children.

(1) Charles Wiley, married Margarite Anne Brooks, daughter of Col. Edward Brooks and Margaret Ann May, daughter of Judge James May, February 2, 1836. Judge Charles Whipple died at Niles, Michigan, October 25, 1855, aged 50 years.

(2) George Askine, born August 20, 1807.

(3) James Burbick, born 1802, married Sophia Godfroy, daughter of Col. Gabriel Godfroy and Theresa Bondy, January 8, 1828. After the death of his wife, Mr. Whipple married Anne Audrain, November 2, 1843. At the time of this marriage he was 41 years and she 43.

(4) Henry L. Whipple, born August 24, 1816; died at Lansing, Michigan, October 26, 1849, aged 33 years. His wife was Caroline A. Bulkley. They were married November 19, 1845. She married Harvey Mixer, June 1, 1864.

(5) Eliza Susan, born September 3, 1824, married Charles Conaghan (Conahan).

(6) Elizabeth Whipple (name found in the records of Ste. Anne's Church).

(7) Mary Anne Walcott, born April 6, 1820, died unmarried.

(8) William L. Whipple married Louisa Fairchild, June 9, 1851. He died November 16, 1862, aged 41 years. At the time of his death in Nashville, Tennessee, he was a lieutenant colonel in the American army.

(9) Caroline Hull Whipple died November 10, 1878, unmarried.

(10) Sophia Whipple, born April 24, 1818, died January 3, 1839, aged 19 years.

(11) Sophia Catherine Whipple, born May 10, 1830, married Edwin Adolphus Skinner, September 6, 1848.

(12) Margaretha Torry Whipple married Charles Hyde, May 11, 1854.

(13) Samuel Whipple married.

(14) John L. Whipple married Ann Eliza ———, who was born in 1820 and died October 4, 1869. He died April 13, 1873, in his seventy-third year.

(15) Ann Hunt Whipple married Peter Desnoyers, April 10, 1837. He died in 1880. She was his second wife. (*See Note* 223). She died June 23, 1877, aged 65 years. (*C. M. B.*)

186. The ten thousand acres of public lands included what is now called the "Park lots" and the "Ten Thousand Acre Tract." The Park lots were lots lying on both sides of Woodward Avenue and extending northwards for nearly two and a half miles from Adams Avenue. The governor and judges were ordered to have these surveyed and James McCloskey, surveyor,

was instructed "to commence his survey northwest of the street which runs through Grand Circus, parallel with the same street and to begin with lots of five acres, and increase the size of lots as he proceeds. The Ten Thousand Acre Tract was not, however, surveyed until 1816, and then by Joseph Fletcher. (*Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan, Volume* 1, *pages* 25 *and* 26).

187. Captain James Anderson figures in a law suit with George Meldrum as early as 1802 and buys brandy in Detroit in August and September, 1805. He was appointed captain in the first regiment, October 4, 1805. He appears to have built upon lot 10, section 4, and to have settled with William Allen, who drew the lot as his donation. There is some confusion in the original records over James Anderson and John Anderson. John Gentle, in his articles printed in the Pittsburgh Commonwealth at the time, says that Captain Anderson was not a resident of Detroit. He was, however, retained by Sibley in a case, August 5, 1806. In 1807 he signed the petition for a lot for a Presbyterian Church. (*Original manuscript ledgers, etc., Burton Library*).

188. William Smith, of the firm of Forsyth & Smith, merchants. (*Supreme Court Records of Michigan,* 1805-1014, *pages* 169-170).

189. *"Rough Minutes" No.* 2B contains no reference to land transactions. It contains only the proceedings of the governor and judges in their legislative capacity. There is no record of the governor and judges meeting again in their capacity of land commissioners until January 16, 1811 (*Rough minutes, C*-3), and they continue their meetings at irregular times through August 12, 1812. (*Rough minutes D*-4). During the war there are no records and the land commissioners did not meet again until November 6, 1815.

190. Governor Cass assumed the responsibilities of the office of governor of Michigan Territory in October, 1813, and held that office for eighteen years, when he was appointed Secretary of War in Jackson's cabinet.

191. (*See Note* 19).

192. Hon. Josiah Meigs was a younger brother of Return Jonathan Meigs, of Revolutionary and Indian War fame. He was an educator and scientist. He was appointed commissioner

of the general land office of the United States in 1814, and held that office until his death in 1822. (*Appleton's Cyclopedia of American Biography*).

193. Edward Tiffin (born 1766 and died 1829) was the first governor of Ohio. He graduated in medicine. In 1812 he was appointed the first commissioner of the general land office. (*Appleton's*).

194. Aaron Greeley was born at Hopkinton, New Hampshire, April 25, 1773. He was a school teacher in his early days, but later learned surveying and became one of the government surveyors. He came to Detroit in 1807 to survey private claims and remained here during the war of 1812. He was taken prisoner at Hull's surrender and through the efforts of his wife obtained his freedom. He returned to New Hampshire until after the war, and then went to Canada. He died January 17, 1820, on a surveying expedition and only the Indians knew his resting place. He was married at Murray, Canada, September 11, 1803, to Margaret Rogers, daughter of Col. James and Margaret (McGregor) Rogers. (*See Greeley Genealogy,* 1905, *page* 194).

195. Col. Joseph Wampler came from Tuscarawas County, Ohio. Not very much can be learned of him, but he was commonly understood among the early settlers to be a Methodist preacher. He was appointed deputy surveyor-general and assigned a contract to survey the Territory of Michigan. The contract bore the date of October 18, 1816, and comprised the subdivisional survey of eighteen townships in eastern Michigan. He entered upon his work the following February. In 1821 Tiffin gave him another contract to survey in Michigan; this time Oakland County. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volumes* 17 *and* 36).

196. Austin E. Wing, son of Enoch and Mary (Oliver) Wing, was born at Conway, Massachusetts, February 3, 1792. He came as a lad with his father to Marietta, Ohio. He graduated from Williams College, Massachusetts, in 1814, and immediately married Harriet Skinner of Williamstown, Massachusetts. Returning to Marietta, he entered the law office of Gov. William Woodbridge, and from that time began a close friendship, which lasted for years. He accompanied Woodbridge and Cass to Michigan and there spent the remainder of his life. He

was sheriff of the Territory for a number of years; United States marshal for the southern division of the state; representative in congress, 1825-1829 and 1831-33, and regent of the University of Michigan. While in Detroit he resided on Bates Street. Later he moved to Monroe and was representative in the state legislature in 1842. He was an early member of the first Presbyterian church of Detroit. He died at Cleveland, August 24, 1849. He had one son, Talcott E. Wing, of Monroe and two daughters, Eliza Whittier, of Monroe, and Harriet Mitchell, of Hillsdale, Michigan. (*See Wing's History of Monroe County, Michigan, page* 151).

197. William Woodbridge, one of the most prominent of Detroit's early lawyers, secretary of the Territory of Michigan, collector of Detroit, governor and senator, came to Detroit in the summer of 1814.

198. Col. Stephen Mack, founder of Pontiac, was born in Connecticut in 1763, married Temperance Bond, of Gilsum, New Hampshire; settled in Tunbridge, Orange County, Vermont, and engaged in mercantile business. In 1810 he closed up his Vermont business and came to Detroit, where he again became a merchant. During the war of 1812 he attained the rank of colonel. When the Pontiac Company was formed he became a stockholder and business manager. From that time he made his home in Pontiac. He died in November, 1826. (*See History of Oakland County, Michigan, Philadelphia,* 1877, *pages* 70-71).

199. This order was rescinded on October 24th. Colonel Hunt's lots in that section were 35 and 36, northwest corner of Woodbridge and Wayne Streets, at that time on the edge of the water. (*See this volume under date October* 24th, 1816).

200. Gen. Alexander Macomb was the seventh child of Catharine Navarre and Alexander Macomb, who were married in 1778. He entered the army as cornet of cavalry in 1799 and rose to general-in-chief, U. S. A. He was author of several works on military subjects and of "Pontiac" or "Siege of Detroit," a drama. Alexander, Sr., was a brother of William Macomb (*See Note* 15), whose son, John, married Isabella Ramsay. John died June 29, 1815.

201. John R. Walker (part Indian) was the second husband of Mrs. Archibald Horner. He died at Brownstown, Michigan, in January, 1826. His will was probated (*File* 322, *Probate*

Office) and his wife was left administratrix February 11, 1826. They had two children: Catharine, who married Robert Wagstaff, and died at Trenton in 1846, and John. These lots had been purchased by Archibald Horner in 1809. (*See Note* 54).

202. Richard Pattinson was a merchant in Detroit, owner of land in the old town and drew as his donation lot number 3, in section 1. He was married twice, his first wife being Judith de Joncaire de Chabert, who was born in Detroit, November 21, 1783, daughter of Philip Daniel de Joncaire de Chabert and Judith Gouin. Judith Pattinson was buried at Assumption, Sandwich, May 21, 1804, and Richard married Phyllis Elinor (Nelly, Ellen) Askin, daughter of John Askin, an early resident of Detroit. Richard Pattinson died in Albany, New York, and his will was probated there March 3, 1818. It was probated in Detroit, November 13, 1833, and mentioned three children, Mary Ann, daughter of the first marriage, Richard and Ellen Phyllis. Hugh Pattinson, an early trader at Detroit, was a half brother of Richard. (*Probate File No.* 565; *Denissen's Genealogies*).

203. John S. Roby did an extensive forwarding and commission business at the foot of Shelby Street. He died in 1825 and an account of his estate was heard November 26, 1825, and the will probated June 4, 1827. The Roby lot on the south side of Jefferson Avenue was sold at auction subject to dower of Hannah Roby, his widow. Besides his widow he was survived by three sons and one daughter. Henry Roby, his oldest son, married Mary Palmer, daughter of Thomas and sister of Thomas W. Palmer, and lived at Monroe. Ruel and John were the other sons. The widow died in August 1834, a victim of cholera. Sarah C., the daughter, died December 8, 1834. (*Friend Palmer's Early Days in Detroit; Detroit Courier,* 1834).

204. See proceedings of the board, December 31, 1816, this volume.

205. Gabriel Richard was born in Saintes, France, October 15, 1767; left that country April 9, 1792, and landed in Baltimore, Maryland, June 24 of the same year. He was sent to Kaskaskia, Illinois, as a missionary to the Indians, where he remained six years. He came to Detroit in 1797 and took charge of the Church Ste. Anne. In 1804 he established a ladies' seminary and a school for young men. When Detroit was burned in 1805 the church was also destroyed. After the fire he built another church

and started a new school for girls. He was always closely connected with educational movements and it was through his efforts that a university was started, which later became the University of Michigan. He purchased the Elliott property to use as an academy for young ladies. He was representative in congress from 1825-1829, and died of cholera September 13, 1832. (*See Gateway, June,* 1904, *page* 26; *Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan*).

206. Matthew Elliott was born in Ireland between 1735 and 1740, and came to America in 1761. He was a soldier in Bouquet's expedition which relieved Fort Pitt at the time of the Indian Conspiracy in 1763. After the Indian wars he became an Indian trader, making his headquarters at Pittsburgh. During the Revolution, on one of his trips to Detroit, he was arrested as an American spy. He cleared himself and in 1778 was appointed captain in the Indian Department at Detroit. He served throughout the war on the British side and when peace was established he remained in Detroit, where he obtained a city lot for his services in the war. He also obtained 3,000 acres of land near Fort Malden, or Amherstburg, and subsequently another grant of 1,000 acres. Elliott removed to his Canadian property some time before the fire, was appointed assistant agent of Indian affairs and finally superintendent of Indian affairs. He took a prominent part in the war of 1812 and died May 7, 1814. His wife was Sarah Donovan, daughter of Matthew Donovan. (*C. M. B.; see Note* 27).

207. Catholic Church property. (*See Mullett's map or Woodward's plan of city after fire of* 1805.

208. This burial ground was located in section 9, and included lots 29 to 33, 63 to 71, on the south side of Madison Avenue, near John R. Street.

209. Mrs. Catherine Donahoe (Donaghey), wife of George Donahoe, was formerly Catharine Miller, devisee in the will of Peter Curry. She and her husband were appointed administrators of the estate of Peter Curry in default of John Gentle and Aaron Greeley, and filed their bonds August 25, 1814. This lot was in section eight. (*See Note* 93; *file* 70, *Probate Office*).

210. The old Indian Blacksmith Shop, alluded to, is supposed to have stood on the part of lot 52 (or 51 and 52), section 4, not conveyed away by the governor and judges and to have been con-

nected with the carpenter shop near the northwest corner of Randolph and Woodbridge Streets of today. (*Hubbard and O'Flynn abstracts*).

211. Maj. Abraham Edwards, the eldest son of Capt. Aaron Edwards, was born at Springfield, New Jersey, November 17, 1781, and licensed to practice medicine in 1803. In June, 1804, he was appointed by President Jefferson, garrison surgeon, and by General Dearborn, Secretary of War, was ordered to Fort Wayne, Indiana, where in June, 1805, he married Ruth Hunt, eldest daughter of Col. Thomas Hunt and sister of Henry Jackson Hunt. Dr. Edwards was appointed surgeon of the Fourth United States Infantry by General Hull, and also had charge of the medical department of the army as hospital surgeon during the war of 1812. He was paroled by Brock after the surrender of Detroit and returned to his home, which had been at Dayton, Ohio. In November, 1813, he again returned to Detroit, and from there was ordered to Albany to Hull's trial. After the war he removed to Detroit, where he held many military and civil offices. He was president of the first legislative council, 1824. In 1831 he was appointed register of the United States land office for the western district of Michigan. He removed to the western part of the State of Michigan in 1828 and in 1834 settled in Kalamazoo, where he lived until his death, October 22, 1860. He had three sons, Colonel Thomas, Henry and Oliver and four daughters, Mrs. James Walter, Mrs. M. Joy, of Kalamazoo; Mrs. Thomas Atlee, of Washington, and Mrs. Alice Campau, who later married James Scott, of Detroit. (*See Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 5, *page* 373-375; *Edwards' Manuscripts, Diary of Detroit, Volume* 3, *page* 626).

212. Thomas Rowland and Mrs. Hanks. (*See Note* 64).

213. Section three.

214. Abraham Wendell was born in 1791. He and his brother Tunis came from Albany, New York, about 1812, and established themselves as merchants. Abraham's name appeared on the highway tax roll for district five in that year. In 1819 he was a trustee of the town and also its treasurer. From 1833-1843 he served as collector of customs at Michilimackinac. He married Mary Geneveva (Mariah Ann Jane) Meldrum, daughter of George Meldrum. (*See Note* 8; *Michigan Pioneer Collections*).

215. *See Note* 208.

216. The Protestant burial ground was in section 1, lots 61 and 62, on the east side of Woodward Avenue, between Larned and Congress Streets, and is probably the same as that shown on the maps of 1749 and 1796. In 1818 it was known as the English burying ground. On July 26, 1819, the governor and judges granted lands to the first Protestant Society which included lots 58 to 62 (covering cemetery ground). The deed was executed December 9, 1825, and recorded December 21, the same year. (*Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan; Hubbard and O'Flynn's abstracts*).

217. Shubael Conant was a bachelor and came from Vermont. He was at one time of the firm, Mack & Conant, merchants, and at another Emerson, Mack & Conant. He owned stock in the Pontiac Company and property on the southwest corner of Griswold and Jefferson Avenue, where he lived in a log house until shortly before his death. In 1826 he was appointed division quartermaster of militia. He died at Detroit, July 16, 1867, and was survived by a brother, Dr. Horatio Conant; two sisters, Eliza Sackett and Caroline Hawley; three nieces, Mrs. Martha C. Tillman, wife of J. W. Tillman; Helen M. Armitage, and Sarah Hogarth; and three nephews, John S. Conant, Harry A. Conant and Austin B. Conant. (*Probate File* 5461; *Michigan Pioneer Collections*).

218. John Stockton was one of the early settlers of Mt. Clemens, going there in 1817. He married Mary Allen, a stepdaughter of Judge Christian Clemens, while the family was living at Detroit. The lot here purchased (lot 5) was in section 3, but was relinquished because it fell in the public garden. He died at Mt. Clemens, November 26, 1878, aged 88 years. (*History of Macomb County,* 1882, *page* 239; *Hubbard and O'Flynn abstracts*).

219. Charley Larned, later Gen. Charles Larned, was the son of Simon Larned, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He was born at Pittsfield; graduated from Williams College in 1806 and in 1812 went to Kentucky to study law in the office of Henry Clay. Instead of studying he joined the Kentucky regiment as an officer and under General Winchester was in the battle of River Raisin. After the war Larned settled in Detroit, where he practiced law. Early in 1816 he went to Washington, where he married Sylvia Colt and returned to Detroit. For a while they lived with Mr.

and Mrs. Austin E. Wing, but shortly purchased a cottage on the southwest corner of Woodward Avenue and Larned Street. He died of cholera, August 14, 1834. His wife died August 24, 1845. Their children were: Sylvester; Catharine, wife of John G. Atterbury; Julia, wife of Lewis C. Allen; Jane, wife of Gen. Alpheus S. Williams; Mary, wife of Alexander K. Howard, son of Col. Joshua Howard, U. S. A.; Harriet, wife of William Rumney, son of Robert Rumney. (*Friend Palmer's Early Days in Detroit; Early Bench and Bar of Detroit,* page 113).

220. Benjamin Stead was born in Leeds, England, October 12, 1776; married Frances Morley, of Nottingham, April 19, 1798, and came to America in 1804. He came to Detroit in September, 1815, where he carried on a tailoring business until 1820. He then sold out and moved to a farm in Macomb County, where he spent the remainder of his life. He died in Detroit, September 25, 1821, while on a visit to the home of Major McKinstry. Mrs. Stead died June 14, 1818. Their children were as follows: (1) Mary, born 1799, died in infancy in Nottingham; (2) Thomas, born in 1800, died in infancy in Nottingham; (3) Mary, born at Nottingham, October 5, 1802, married Shadrack Gillett at Detroit January 27, 1825, died at Detroit, April 17, 1872; (4) Thomas Jefferson, born at London, England, May 1, 1804, and died at Providence, Rhode Island, May 2, 1866; (5) Frances, born at Eastport, Maine, April 28, 1807, married Rev. Lucries C. Rouse, May 1, 1839, died at Colorado Springs, March 4, 1888; (6) Benjamin Franklin, born at Boston, Massachusetts, January 12, 1809, died at Plattsburg, New York, July 13, 1814; (7) John Hampton, born at Hartford, Vermont, October 10, 1810, and died there the following December; (8) John Milton, born at Hartford, Vermont, September 16, 1811, and died at Whampoa, China, October 20, 1829; (9) Benjamin Franklin, born at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, February 22, 1815, and died at Astoria, Long Island, February 15, 1879; (10) Ann Gazzam, born at Detroit, April 26, 1817, married Samuel Zug, August 3, 1843, and died at Detroit, June 10, 1891, leaving two children, Robert M. Zug and Mrs. Mary G. Nichols. (*See Gateway, February,* 1905, *page* 35; *Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 36, *page* 412).

221. John Palmer. (*See Note* 181).

222. Water lots: These water lots were in section 3, and included land which has been reclaimed at the foot of Griswold Street and extending from there to Cass Street.

223. John L. Leib and his wife, Margaretha Vioner, came originally from Philadelphia, where Mr. Leib had a brother, Dr. Michael Leib. Mrs. Leib was a Quakeress. They lived on a farm adjoining the Hunt's, across Bloody Run and their residence was situated near where Berry Brothers' varnish factory now stands. Mrs. Leib died February 23, 1836, aged 58 years. Mr. Leib died April 16, 1838, aged 71. Their children were:

(1) George, who married Emily Desnoyers, December 25, 1821. She was the daughter of Peter Desnoyers and died aged 32, on May 10, 1838.

(2) James Ronaldson, who died unmarried October 8, 1842, aged 37 years.

(3) Milicent D., who married William B. Hunt, April 29, 1824. She died February 26, 1841.

(4) Caroline J. B., who married Peter Desnoyers. After her death he married Ann H. Whipple. (*See Wayne County Probate Office File* 578; *Wayne County Chancery File* 606, *Friend Palmer's Early Days in Detroit*).

224. George B. Larned was a brother of Charles Larned and in 1816 married Emily Watson, daughter of Elkanah Watson, of Erie Canal fame. She died January, 1817, and Elkanah came to Detroit that summer. Larned carried on a mercantile business with his brother-in-law, George E. Watson. He died January 27, 1825.

225. Lieutenant Otis Fisher was born in Massachusetts. He served in the war of 1812 and lost an arm in the battle of Bridgewater. Later he was stationed at Detroit as quartermaster of the Fifth Infantry. He was about to retire when engaging in a duel with Capt. John Farley, U. S. A., he was killed at Sandwich, May 3, 1820. He owned a farm on the River Rouge. (*Heitmans Historical Register and Dictionary of the Army; Michigan Pioneer Collections, Volume* 4, *page* 473).

226 Dr. Sylvester Day went to Michilimackinac as surgeon's mate at the garrison as early as 1810. He and his family resided on Astor Street at the time of the surrender of the fort. He had one son named Hannibal, who later became Gen. Hannibal Day, U. S. A. After leaving Michilimackinac they resided at Detroit.

Dr. Day was a Mason and master of Zion Lodge, No. 62, in 1817. The same year he subscribed $250 toward the University Fund. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections; Annals of Fort Mackinaw by Kelton, p.* 46.)

227. Peter Van Avery (Every) was a mere boy when he volunteered in the war in 1812. He was made prisoner at Hull's surrender, taken to Montreal, and there paroled. He returned to Detroit and must have married about 1815, Amy ———. In 1816 he purchased property at the Grand Marais, where the waterworks are now located. The land had formerly been occupied by Charles Chovin and his wife, Louise. Van Avery added to the building already on the land and made it into a tavern. He also built a distillery. Here the Van Averys lived until 1837, when they went to Franklin, Oakland County, Mich., where Colonel Van Avery erected a tavern, a mill, distillery and potashery. He died December 23, 1859. (*Oakland County History,* 1877, *pages* 270 *and* 325.) Mrs. Van Avery came to Detroit in August, 1805, when about ten years old. She was living in 1872 and gave testimony in a law suit at that time. (*See File* 79, *Superior Court, suit begun August* 7, 1872; *Palmer's Early Days in Detroit.*)

228. Robert Gouie was a British subject and after living on the American side of the Detroit River for some time, moved to Sandwich. He was engaged in trading with the Indians, Gabriel Hunot being his agent. He was in Major Baby's company of militia in 1805 and during the war of 1812 served in Capt. Pierre Labute's company. He owned private claim 670 in Springwells. (*Askin Papers, Burton Library.*)

229. Sylvanus Blackmar was a farmer and in 1806 rented a farm of Macomb northwest of the town, situated on the water front. On September 3, 1811, he was appointed marshal of the District of Huron and in 1819 was clerk of the Woodward Avenue Market. (*Manuscripts, Burton Library.*)

230. David C. McKinstry, a citizen of Detroit and Ypsilanti, Michigan, was engaged in various enterprises. He was the contractor, who with Thomas Palmer, erected the State Capitol at Detroit and received for it the larger part of the Ten Thousand Acre Tract. The capitol was in process of erection from 1823 to 1828. In the meantime he opened a hotel at Ypsilanti in 1826. He was extensively engaged in furnishing amusement for Detroit

people. In 1837 he had a building which he called "The Circus" but which he leased to Warren P. Wing and Andrew Mack for a planing mill. He died at Ypsilanti in 1856, aged 78 years. (*C. M. B.*)

231. Adna Merritt, who had a contract for the mason work on the jail in 1819 and on the court house, and Peter Willard, his partner. Adna Merritt served as city marshal in 1824, 1825, 1829. In 1831 he was clerk of the Woodward Avenue Market.

232. Her husband was Benjamin Packard.

233. Peter Berthelet, a native of Savoy, came to Montreal, Canada, and then to Detroit, at an early date. He was interested in the fur trade with Astor. He also built himself a pottery at the mouth of the Savoyard River, near the intersection of West Jefferson Avenue and Third Street. He soon acquired a great deal of land along Randolph Street running down to the river. His son, Henry, was closely associated with him in business. Henry lived in a plain unpainted house on Atwater Street and was on the tax roll in 1802 when he declared that he owned two lots ½ arpent in front by ½ arpent in depth, two houses, one water mill and one horse. He was trustee of the town in 1804 and 1807. In 1819 he applied to build a wharf at the foot of Randolph. He seems to have failed in business about this time and transferred all his property to his father, who was probably his creditor. He did not build the wharf and in 1824 his father applied for the contract and carried out the project. One of the conditions was that he should build "a good and sufficient pump" at which all the people of Detroit should have the right to draw water free. The pump was also built and was used until May 19, 1835. Another condition attached to the building of the wharf was the giving of a city lot upon which he should build a market. Peter died in 1829 and was said to be one of the richest men in Canada. His will was probated in Montreal, January 22, 1830, and named his son, Antoine Oliver Berthelet as executor. Henry and his family were not mentioned as heirs. (*Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan; Will of Peter Berthelet, Detroit Free Press, May* 10, 1885.) Henry owned private claims 269, 270 and 655, and was farming in 1821.

234. John Robinson. *See Transactions of the Governor and Judges, December* 12, 1818, *this volume.*

235. *See Note* 185.

236. Joseph Andre (Andrew) dit Clark had a rifle shop and dwelling house on the east side of Randolph Street north of Jefferson Avenue. He was a justice of the peace in 1815 and in 1814 was one of a company of volunteers raised by Cass to drive off the Indians, who camped too close to the town and stole the cattle. On October 16, 1804, he married at Assumption, Sandwich, Ontario, Susanne Drouillard, who was born there November 5, 1783, daughter of Francis Drouillard and Mary Ann Villers. Susan died and was buried at Detroit, January 31, 1813. Joseph married again at Detroit, July 29, 1813, Clemence Fearson. She was the daughter of Capt. John Fearson and was born November 3, 1794. She was buried at Ste. Anne's, Detroit, February 22, 1866. (*Ste. Anne Church Records; Detroit Newspapers.*)

237. Jean Baptist Belanger was the son of Philip Belanger, who came to Detroit January 13, 1771. He was born in Detroit, January 29, 1784, and married there, August 20, 1804, Margareta Prudhomme dit Nantais, who was also born in Detroit, July 23, 1788, daughter of Jean B. Prudhomme dit Nantais and Mary Ann Dellard. Jean B. Belanger was buried at Detroit, October 28, 1818. His wife paid a license fee for a tavern in 1820. Their children were:

Jean Baptist Belanger, born at Detroit, May 13, 1805.

Anthony Belanger, born at Detroit, April 23, 1807.

Oliver Belanger, born at Detroit, April 3, 1809.

Mary Frances, born at Detroit, August 2, 1811, buried at Detroit, November 11, 1813.

Frances, born at Detroit, June 17, 1814, married at Detroit, November 20, 1834, Joseph Daily.

Mary, born at Detroit, July 19, 1816, married Thomas Wilson, buried at Detroit July 5, 1844.

Margaret, born at Detroit, February 7, 1819. (*Denissen's Genealogies.*)

238. Jean Baptist Durette. (*See Note* 26.)

239. John Askin was born at Strabane, near Belfast, Ireland, about 1741. His father was James Askin (Erskine) and his mother Alice Rea. John Askin came to America during the French and Indian war and was in the British army at Ticonderoga. He was engaged in business with Robert Rogers at Albany and followed him to the Northwest Territory during Pontiac's

war. His first wife was an Indian woman by whom he had three children, John; Catherine, married, first, William Robertson, and second, Robert B. Hamilton; Madelaine married Dr. Richardson, a Scotch gentleman, an officer of Simcoe's well-known Rangers.

On June 21, 1773, Askin married for his second wife, Marie Archange Barthe, daughter of Charles Barthe and Therese Campau. Nine children were born:

Therese, born 1774, married Thomas McKee.

Archange, born 1775, married Capt. David Meredith.

John, born 1779, died 1780.

John, born 1783, died in infancy.

Adelaide, born 1783, twin of John, married Elijah Brush, of Detroit.

Charles, born 1785, was in the war of 1812 on the British side.

James, born 1786, also served on the British side in the war of 1812.

Elinor (Nelly, Phyllis Helene), married Richard Pattinson. She died at Riviere a la Tranche (River Thames), October 12, 1813, aged about 24 years.

Alexander David, born 1791, was also in the war of 1812.

In 1796, when Detroit was surrendered to the Americans, those who wished to remain British subjects so declared themselves. Askin was among the number. He did not leave Detroit until 1802, and then built a home on the Canadian shore near modern Walkerville, which he called Strabane. Here he died in 1818. (*Denissen's Genealogies; Wacousta; Mrs. Simcoe's Diary; Manuscripts in Burton Library.*)

240. The Classical Academy was in the University Building, the cornerstone of which was laid September 24, 1817. The building was 24 by 50 feet and was located on the west side of Bates Street near Congress Street. Ste. Anne's Church was located in the center of the section and east of the Academy.

241. David Beard was a contracting agent for the army at Detroit as early as 1810. He also served in the war of 1812, Augustus Porter, Esq., of New York State, being the contractor. In 1814 Beard had removed to New York to live and gave testimony in Hull's trial. During his residence in Detroit he purchased Peter Curry's farm, private claim 340. (*See Memoir of Hull, page 77; Manuscripts in Burton Library.*)

242. The "Vincent lot" took its name from James Vincent, one of the early settlers of Detroit, who elected to become a British subject after the revolution. He lived on the American side for many years and ran a ferry between Detroit and the Canadian shore, having applied for a permit in 1800. At the time of the fire his property was inventoried at $144. He drew lot 64, section 4, old plan as his donation lot, which was also drawn by Conrad Seek. In the list of townspeople made out by Dodemead and his committee, Vincent's name is in the first class but is marked "dubious, inquire of Mr. Henry." (*Manuscripts in Burton Library; Diary of Detroit, Manuscript.*)

244. This was probably Toussaint Anthony Adhemar dit St. Martin, who was born in Montreal and came to Detroit as early as August 24, 1769. He settled there about 1772, trading with the Miami Indians and practicing medicine among them. Part of the time he resided with his family in the Indian village. He married Geneveva Blondeau and had eight children. (*Denissen's Genealogies.*)

245. Andrew G. Whitney was one of the first stockholders in the Bank of Michigan in 1818. He held many offices in the town, being secretary of the land board from 1822 to 1824, city registrar 1822 to 1823, judge advocate in 1823, chairman of the board of trustees of the town, secretary of the legislative body 1823-1825, United States attorney 1824-1827, and appointed to the legislature from the first district early in 1826. He was also director of the Sunday school in 1819. On April 3, 1820, he married Ann Eliza Tallman, daughter of John Tallman, at one time mayor of Hudson, New York. Her sister was Mrs. John L. Whiting. Mr. Whitney died October 5, 1826, aged 39. He was much loved and the Rev. Mr. Cadle, of St. Paul's Church, wrote a poem in memory of him. (*Michigan Herald, October* 11, 1826; *Farmer's History of Detroit and Michigan.*)

246. The Ridley lot fronted on Ste. Anne Street of old Detroit at the corner of St. Peter Street and was bounded on the rear by St. James Street. It was across St. Peter Street from the Ste. Anne Catholic Church and not far from old Pontiac gate. It was owned by Edward Ridley and James Bennett.

247. From this it would appear that Virginia Street was that street which ran from the present (1915) Farmer Street to Randolph Street on the northwest side of the central police station,

which is today called Bates Street. At that time (1818) Bates Street continued north on the present Farmer Street. There was another street called Virginia in section 1, but this was converted into building lots when Congress Street was extended east of Bates. (*See Hubbard and O'Flynn Abstracts.*)

248. In 1820 Harvey Williams had a blacksmith shop where the Russell House stood and where the Pontchartrain stands (1915). His dwelling house stood on the same lot east of his shop. The year before this he worked in a blacksmith shop owned by Colonel Mack. In 1832 he built the first sawmill in Detroit on land at the foot of Hastings Street, purchased from Antoine Beaubien by Josiah R. Dorr, C. C. Trowbridge and E. A. Brush, who were interested in the project. In 1847 he was residing at the mouth of the Kawkawlin River in Saginaw Valley with his wife and her two nieces. Mr. Williams died at Saginaw in 1883. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 18, *page* 440; *Vol.* 28, *page* 596.)

249. In 1817 John P. Sheldon and Ebenezer A. Reed started the Gazette, the first number appearing July 25. Sheldon was a native of New York and was born in 1792. He was a practical printer in Ogdensburg in 1812 when he enlisted in the New York militia. During the war he gained the rank of major. He was a journeyman printer with Thurlow Weed at Utica for some time and then established the first newspaper published in Rochester. Early in 1817 he came to Detroit and established the Gazette. Ebenezer A. Reed was originally associated with Sheldon in the publication of the paper but this partnership soon ceased. Sheldon remained editor and proprietor for the next thirteen years. He was editor of the Free Press when it was first established. In 1833 he was appointed assistant superintendent of the lead mines on the Upper Mississippi River and registrar of the United States land offices at Mineral Point, Wisconsin. Between 1840 and 1850 he was a clerk in one of the departments at Washington, and in 1850 was appointed clerk of the committee on pensions of the United States senate. He resigned in 1861 and removed to Winfield, Illinois, where he spent his last years with a daughter. He died January 19, 1871, aged 79 years. Thomas C. Sheldon was his brother and Sheldon McKnight, a nephew. (*Scrap Book* 2,, *page* 29, *Burton Library.*)

250. Jonathan Eastman, husband of Eleanor McNiff. (*See Note* 64.)

251. (*See Note* 216.)

252. Maurice Willermy. (*See Note* 80.)

253. According to his petition for a donation lot drawn up in 1822, Rufus Hatch was a resident of Detroit at the time of the fire, 1805, at which time he claims to have been seventeen years old. He received lot 4, section 7. He seems to have lived in a number of places. In 1817 he was a justice of the peace for the District of Huron, in 1818 for the County of Macomb. In 1819 he was one of the committee of citizens who endorsed Woodbridge for delegate to congress. The same year he took a contract to furnish cord wood for the use of the steamboat Walk-in-the-Water. He was a Protestant and had a pew in the Protestant church which he offered for sale in 1821. In 1824 he removed to Oakland County with the expectation of receiving the appointment of county clerk. Disappointed in this respect, he left the place and may have returned to Detroit. When it was decided to build a lighthouse at Fort Gratiot he applied for the position of keeper, and was appointed. He was at Fort Gratiot when the lighthouse was completed and had charge of it from August 8, 1825, until his death in September, 1825. He was succeeded by George McDougall. He was styled "major" and had formerly been quartermaster of the U. S. A. His wife was Harriet M. ———. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 36, *pages* 470, 474 *and* 475; *Detroit Gazette,* 1825; *Original Manuscripts.*)

254. In 1819 Horatio Ball surveyed the road to Pontiac from the causeway built by the troops under Colonel Leavenworth in 1818. He was a son of Daniel Ball and a brother-in-law of Ziba Swan. Hervey Parke was one of the party on this occasion. Horatio finally settled near Pontiac. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections.*)

255. Robert Forsyth, son of William Forsyth, was born at Grosse Pointe May 10, 1774. When the Americans finally took Detroit in 1796, Forsyth elected to remain a British subject, but he evidently changed his mind as he lived on at Detroit for many years, owning property and having interests there. On July 14, 1801, he obtained a grant of land in Sandwich. In 1808 he was engaged in business in Chicago with his half-brother, John Kinzie. On April 20, 1809, he was appointed vice-marshal for the Dis-

trict of Huron and Detroit. At Hull's surrender he was made prisoner and was paroled. Proctor accused him of violating his parole, or even worse than that—of being in the American army while a British subject. Woodward had some spirited correspondence with Proctor regarding Forsyth and proved by the records of the Supreme Court that Forsyth had been admitted to citizenship on May 15, 1812. According to some accounts Forsyth was married twice, but there are no records of either marriage. His first wife was Mary Scott, and their children were:

(1) Maria, who married Benjamin B. Kercheval. He was born in Winchester, Virginia, April 9, 1793, came to Detroit where he held many important offices in the territory and state, and died in Detroit March 23, 1855. They were married January 18, 1821. Maria was born in January, 1801, and died February 10, 1882.

(2) Robert Allen Forsyth (who is mentioned in this record) was born in 1798, married Maria Howard, sister of Henry Howard, November 6, 1826. She died October 4, 1890. Howard was elected mayor of Detroit in 1837. Robert Allen Forsyth is said to have been the first school teacher in Chicago. He was a cadet at West Point 1814-1817, major in the U. S. A., and died at Detroit, October 21, 1849.

(3) Alice Marion Forsyth married Lieut. (later major) Thomas Hunt, September 29, 1821. She died in Detroit at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Tripler, and granddaughter, Mrs. Robinson, June 18, 1888, aged 85 years and six months. Thomas Hunt was the brother of Henry Jackson Hunt (*see Note* 173), who was mayor of Detroit in 1826, and of John E. Hunt, of Toledo.

Robert Forsyth's second wife was "Nancy" or Jane Little. They were married about 1808 or 09, and had one child, Jane Cameron Forsyth, who married Charles R. Brush, son of Elijah Brush and Adelaide Askin, October 15, 1833. Robert Forsyth died in Ohio in 1813, and his half-brother, John Kinzie, was appointed administrator of his estate. Three years later Kinzie was removed and Robert A. Forsyth, Jr., was appointed to fill the place, May 3, 1819. (*See notes by C. M. Burton; Original Manuscripts, Burton Library.*)

256. Warren Howard was appointed supervisor of roads and highways over Springwells, January 8, 1818, and jailer in

Detroit in 1820. (*Michigan Pioneer Collections, Vol.* 8, *page* 660; *Proceedings of Common Council of Detroit.*)

257. In 1817 Robert Smart's house and barn were on the east side of Woodward Avenue and the south side of Larned. This was in section 1. (*Scrap Book* 24*a, page* 59, *Burton Library.*)

258. Many of the names of those who petitioned for donation lots in the first, second and third classes do not appear in these Journals. Their claims were either ratified before October 24, 1808, or were rejected. In the first class were Mrs. Coates, who had a tavern in 1803 and 1804, and Gabriel Godfroy, Jr. They both applied for their donation lots in 1807. In the second class is Mrs. Eberts, wife of Dr. Herman Eberts, who was born in Augsburg in 1753, came to America as a surgeon with a Hessian regiment. As Marie Francoise Huc she married the doctor about 1780 and came to Detroit in 1791, where they became naturalized by the terms of Jay's treaty. He served as coroner and sheriff at different times. After the fire he built a house on the other side of the river, at Windsor, and there he died, March 4, 1819. Late in 1804 Mrs. Eberts applied for a divorce from Dr. Eberts. A separation for two years was allowed and Mrs. Eberts went to live with relatives in Montreal. She never returned. At this time they had seven children living, one of these, Therese, obtained a donation lot in the third class. Thomas Welch was another applicant in the second class. His wife Elizabeth and daughter Peggy both received donation lots. (*See Notes* 77 *and* 78.) Thomas applied for his lot October 4, 1806, and at the time stated that he had two daughters, one of age.

In the third class were:

Baker (at Godfroy's).

Bateite (at Donovan's).

Michel Bernier.

Robert Conn, a contractor's agent for the army stationed at Detroit. He drew on the contractors for his gambling debts and got into trouble.

Patrick Conoly (lived with John Connor, shoemaker; died before Hull's report of December 31, 1806, and left no heirs).

Joseph Cooper, a negro (he does not appear to have drawn).

Francis Drake, age doubtful.

Dennis Dougerty.

Therese Eberts, daughter of Dr. Eberts.

Charles Fouche, under age.

Reney Gamash (no such name among the deeds).

John Goff (applied for a lot for a school).

Ephraim Jones (name of Richard Hall Jones substituted).

William Keene (Keren, Keeney) lived with W. McD. Scott and filed his petition in 1806. His name was finally struck out.

James Kirby filed his petition in 1806 and stated that he was a citizen of the United States and 28 years old.

Labelle (no such name among the deeds).

John Lupton (name struck out).

Thomas Mahony.

Polly McLean (later Mrs. Mary Armstrong).

Francis McCloud.

James McDonall (said to be a British citizen).

Maria Ourno.

George Parc (or Pier, applied in 1807).

David Ross.

Mary Roy (claim rejected).

Stephen Rogers (struck out).

James Riley, Jr.

Charles Stewart.

Michel Trombley (Tromble).

Henry Teeze, a hired man in the family of Matthew Donovan. No lot seems to have been assigned to him.

Anthony Wayne (a lot was drawn—file marked unknown).

There were several negroes in the town who were entitled to donation lots:

Cato (Dodemead's negro).

Harry and Hannah, doubtful as to age (Dodemead's negroes).

London and Mary, his wife, at the Watson's (probably John Watson).

Margrett (at the Voyer's).

Susan and Nell, under age (at Mrs. Abbott's).

Hannah (Mrs. Coate's negro).

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No. 24. Petition of Oliver W. Miller for lot or lots filed 10 September, 1806:

To the Honorable, the Legislative Board of the Territory of Michigan:

Gentlemen: As the absolute necessity of my absence from Detroit will debar me the honor of personally waiting on the honorable board, I take the liberty of stating to them that I should be happy to procure from government, the corner lot on the opposite side of Court House Avenue (or cross street) from Dr. Wm. McD. Scott's house, or if that lot should be previously disposed of, some other eligible situation worth of the expense of erecting large and costly buildings thereon, and I also beg leave to state to them, that as my line of business will require the occupancy of a water lot, I should also wish to procure the water lot opposite to Messrs. Abbott's store house.

I have requested my friend, Capt. C. Tuttle to wait upon the honorable board and any negotiation that he may think proper to make or enter into with them shall be sanctioned by and binding on my part.

Gentlemen, your very obedient and very humble servant,

OLIVER W. MILLER.

No. 22. Petition of Gab. Richard for himself and as attorney of J. D. for Jno. Dilhet and Etienne Willermy, filed 3 October, 1806, for 3 donation lots:

To the Legislature of the Territory of Michigan:

Gabriel Richard for himself and attorney for John Dilhet and Etienne Willermy pray that three donation lots be given on the East and West Avenue as near as possible to the Military Square.

Detroit, October 2, 1806. G. RICHARD.

No. 21. Petition of Thos. Welch for himself, wife and two daughters for donation lots:

Petition of Thos. Welch, filed 4th October, 1806.

Detroit, Territory of Michigan, October 3, 1806.

To the Honorable Governor and Judges of said Territory:

The subscriber humbly petitioneth your honors to grant him and his family, which were sufferers in the Town of Detroit in the time of the fire, viz., myself and wife and two daughters, one of which was of age, such lots as by acts of congress are granted

to the like sufferers by law, and your petitioner or petitioners humbly prayeth that the lot I now have in my possession may be one and a part of the aforesaid lots allowed the aforesaid act and that all other lots, if any there should be allowed me or any part of my family, may be granted to me adjoining the aforesaid lot.

That the honorable congress will take into consideration the above petition is the prayer of your humble petitioner.

THOS. WELCH, by
ELIZABETH WELCH, his wife.

No. 21. Petition of Mrs. Eberts and her daughter, Therese, for two donations, 4th October, 1806:

To the Legislature of the Territory of Michigan:

Mrs. Eberts and her daughter, Therese, pray for two donation lots as sufferers by the late conflagration of Detroit, agreeable to the acts of congress.

For MRS. EBERTS,
Detroit, 4th October, 1806. Peter Audrain.

No. 20. Petition of Roswell Hatch for two donations, 6 October, 1806:

To the Honorable Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

The subscriber humbly petitioneth the honorable board, he being a sufferer in the Town of Detroit at the time of the fire, having a family containing a wife and three children. That you will grant the subscriber such lot or lots of ground in the aforesaid town as by act of congress allowed which is the sincere prayer of your humble petitioner.

Detroit, October 6, 1806. ROSWELL HATCH.

No. 5. Lydia Hallibut petition for lot of ground, etc., being a sufferer by fire on the 11th of June 1805, filed 6th December, 1806:

To His Excellency, the Governor, and the Honorable the Judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting in their legislative capacity:

Lydia Hallibut, of the age of twenty years, living within the town of Detroit, on the eleventh day of June, A. D. 1805, when said town was consumed by fire, humbly prays that a lot of ground of five thousand square feet may be assigned to her to hold the same to her, her heirs and assigns in pursuance of the

act of congress in that behalf made and provided and as in duty bound will ever pray.

SOLOMON SIBLEY,
Agent for Lydia Hallibut.

Detroit, October 8, 1806.

No. 17. Polly Ball. Petition for donation lot filed 25th October, 1806:

His Excellency, the Governor, and the Honorable the Judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting in their Legislative Department:

Polly Ball, aged thirty years, a citizen of the United States and resident in the Town of Detroit, on the eleventh day of June, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and five, and one of the sufferers by the fire which consumed the said town, prays that a lot of ground may be assigned her in the City of Detroit in pursuance of the law of the United States, providing for citizens sufferers by said fire, and as in duty bound will ever pray.

JAS. HENRY,
Agent for Polly Ball.

City of Detroit, October 15, 1806.

No. 17. Jacob Nado. Petition for donation lot filed 25th October, 1806:

His Excellency, the Governor, and the Honorable the Judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting in their Legislative Department:

Jacob Nado, aged forty-five years, a citizen of the United States and resident in the Town of Detroit, on the eleventh day of June, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and five and one of the sufferers by the fire which consumed the said town, prays that a lot of ground may be assigned him in the City of Detroit in pursuance of the law of the United States, providing for citizens sufferers by said fire. And as in duty bound will ever pray,

JAMES HENRY,
Agent for Jacob Nado.

City of Detroit, October 15, 1806.

No. 16. Petition of Wm. M. Scott for donation lots for Mrs. Scott, A. Raimond, Wm. Keene and John Meldrum filed 1st November, 1806:

To the Honorable, the Governor and the Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

The subscriber most regretfully sheweth that he was a householder in the late Town of Detroit on the eleventh of June, A. D. 1805, that by the act of congress making provision for the sufferers on that day, he presumes himself entitled to a donation lot. That last fall, he purchased a lot under the *faith* of our government using their influence with the general government to obtain those lots for the benefit of the purchasers. That under these considerations, he expects the lot on which he has improved as his donation. He also prays for one for Mrs. Mary Ann Scott, agreeable to said provision. Also, for Wm. Keene, who then lived with him. Also, one for Andre Raimond, then an inhabitant of said town, at present residing with the subscriber. And one for John Meldrum, living in the old Town of Detroit and qualified according to the said act.

And as in duty bound.

WM. M. SCOTT.

Detroit, 31st October, A. D. 1806.

No. 13. Petition of Matthew Donovan, Esq., for five donation lots, himself, wife, Mary, Sarah and H. Teeze, filed 10th November, 1806, allowed on the 11th.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the Territory of Michigan:

Matthew Donovan, owner of two lots in the old Town of Detroit, in one of which he lived at the time the said town was burnt, prays for four donation lots pursuant to the act of congress, to wit:

One for himself.

One for his wife.

One for his daughter, Polly.

One for his daughter, Sally.

Your petitioner further prays for another donation lot for one *Henry Teeze,* who did live with him on the 11th June, 1805, had lived with him several years before and is still in his service.

And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

MATTHEW DONOVAN.

Detroit, 6th November, 1806.

No. 10. Mr. Peter Audrain, secretary of the legislative board, filed 15th November, 1806, petition of Mr. Fearson, his

wife and his daughters, Mary, Victoire and Hannah Fearson, petition for donation lots:

To His Excellency, the Governor, and the Honorable the Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

The petition of the subscribers humbly sheweth that your petitioners, having been inhabitants of the old Town of Detroit on the eleventh day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and five. And that by virtue of an act of congress of the United States passed the ——— day of ———, eighteen hundred and six, granting to every inhabitant of the old Town of Detroit (on the said eleventh day of June) above the age of seventeen years and not owing or professing allegiance to any foreign power a donation lot of five thousand square feet of ground in the new town.

We therefore pray that agreeable to the said law of congress, donation lots may be assigned to us. And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

MARY AMABLE FEARSON.
VICTOIRE FEARSON.
HANNAH FEARSON.

Detroit, November 14, 1806.

To His Excellency, the Governor, and the Honorable Judges of Michigan Territory:

Gentlemen: The application of your petitioner sets forth that as in his humble opinion the compensation allowed by your honorable board for the drafting a deed and trouble attending the execution thereof is not by far a full compensation for said service, he prays that your honors will take the same into consideration and if consistent with your ideas grant an increase of compensation.

Your petitioner further prays that as two deeds for the bank have already been drafted and executed by express orders from your board and that as the alterations taken place with respect to the numbering of the sections and lots renders them void and null, that your honors may find it but just that he should be compensated for his trouble in drafting and recording the aforesaid two deeds, and as in duty bound shall ever pray.

City of Detroit, this 15th November, 1806.

J. WATSON.

P. S. Your honors will please to remark in taking the above into consideration that none or very few mortgages or bonds will be requisite, the fees being thereby reduced to almost nothing, every reasonable person will with cheerfulness pay the reasonable compensation.

Endorsed: To the president of the honorable legislative board in session in the City of Detroit.

Jos. Watson's petition for increase of compensation. 1806.

No. 8. Petition of Augustin Francoeur for a donation lot, filed 21st November, 1806.

Augustin Francair, above the age of seventeen years and living in the Town of Detroit at the time of the fire prays for a donation lot.

AB. HULL,
Attorney for Petitioner.

To the Honorable, the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

Endorsed,

P. AUDRAIN, ESQ.

Copy of the claim of Elijah Brush, Esq., trustee for Alexander McKee, the younger:

On the 20th December, 1804, E. Brush filed notice of the above claim with the Register of the Land Office, at Detroit.

On the 19th of November, 1805, John Laughton was brought forward as a witness in behalf of the claimant, who being sworn deposed and said that he believes the late Alexander McKee acquired this lot by gift from the British Government through their officers, either Governor Hamilton, or Colonel DePeyster, that the said Alexander in his lifetime, to wit, about the year 1786, erected on the premises a large and commodious dwelling house at his own expense. The deponent estimated the cost of the said building at two thousand pounds at least.

George Meldrum was also brought forward as a witness in behalf of the claimants, who, being sworn deposed and said that, previously to the departure of Colonel DePeyster from Detroit, which he had for sometimes communicated, the commander-in-chief at Quebec, transmitted to the said DePeyster, as this Deponent then understood, letters of confirmation for all his official conduct during his said command, not only ratifying his Military

conduct, but also giving a general sanction to everything done in his civil department, as respected lands, the Deponent always believed that the grant of said lot was made by authority of those to whom the necessary power had been delegated by the British Government. The deponent well recollects that the large and convenient dwelling house at present on the lot was built by the late Alexander McKee in the year 1786 and supposes he must have expended in the erection thereof the sum of two thousand pounds.

I certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the Register No. 5, pages 115 and 116, in my office.

Detroit the 22nd November, 1806.

PETER AUDRAIN,
Register United States
Land Office at Detroit.

1806. Copy claim (in 1805) made by E. Brush for Alex. McKee, Jr.

No. 7. Petition of Hugh Martin for a donation lot, filed 25th November, 1806.

To His Excellency, the Governor of the Territory of Michigan:

The petition of Hugh R. Martin humbly sheweth that your petitioner having been a proprietor of a house and lot and inhabitant of the old Town of Detroit on the 11th day of June, 1805. And that by virtue of an act of the congress of the United States passed the day 1806 granting to every inhabitant of the old Town of Detroit on the said 11th day of June, 1805, and not owing or professing allegiance to any foreign power — Five thousand square feet of ground as a donation.

Your petitioner therefore prays that the lot adjoining Mr. C. Curry's and fronting on the main street on which he has built a dwelling house and barn may be assigned him as a donation and your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

No. 1. Report on the petition of Joseph Watson, filed 6th December, 1806:

The committee to whom was referred the application of Joseph Watson, praying for additional compensation for preparing and recording deeds, etc., reports the following resolution: Resolved, that the fees aforesaid be increased fifty per centum and that he be paid for drawing deeds for the bank lots, which were not regular.

The application of Mathew Donovan, filed 8th December, 1806:

Territory of Michigan, ss., City of Detroit:

Elijah Brush, attorney for Mathew Donovan, maketh application for the confirmation of a lot of ground in the old Town of Detroit situated in St. Louis Street, containing seventy-two feet English measure front and rear by—bounded in front by said St. Louis Street, in rear by the Chemin-de-ronde on the northeast side by a cross street that formerly was without any name, and on the southeast side by a lot owned by Wm. Robertson.

Also one other lot of ground in the old town situated in St. Ann Street of — feet front and rear by forty-five in depth, bounded on the northeast side by a cross street that was on the south by a lot formerly owned by Chas. Wallen in front by St. Ann Street and in rear by St. James Street.

E. Brush,

Attorney for Mathew Donovan.

The lot which was first claimed by Mr. Donovan by this application was deeded by me to him.

Jas. McDonald.

No. 36.

James Anderson's Memorial to the Honorable Land Board, Detroit, filed 22nd January, 1807, claiming lots 4 and 49 S. 4 and protesting against their being deeded to Audrain and Campau.

To the Honorable the Land Board, now in session in Detroit:

The memorial of James Anderson humbly sheweth: That in the fall of the year 1805 your memoralist, being destitute of a house to accommodate himself and family and being desirous of building in the new Town of Detroit, applied to his Excellency, the governor and the honorable, the judges of the Territory of Michigan, for the assignment of a space of ground for the purpose. In pursuance of which application two lots were assigned him, the one number 10 in subdivision fronting the main street, the other in rear of said lot, and both fronting an alley of 50 feet wide, leading from said main street to the water. The two lots being so assigned your memoralist commenced buildings therein fronting the same upon said cross street, and dig a well in said cross street for the accommodation of his family. In the fall of 1806 your memoralist was informed that the plan of said Detroit was altered, and that the contemplated cross street would

be disposed of in lots, being possessed of this information and feeling that his property would be materially injured by the contemplated alterations, he waited upon the Honorable Land Board and stated the peculiar hardships he must suffer provided said cross street would be shut up, and said lots granted to other persons than himself. His representations were immediately taken under consideration and the subject of complaint finally adjusted by the Honorable the Land Board to the satisfaction of your memoralist. The decision of the board as your memoralist understood, was that he should receive a deed for said lots, paying for the ground at the rate of Two cents for each square foot which he agreed on his part to do, and ever has been and still is ready to meet according to the settled terms of payment. Which agreement so settled the Honorable Board directed the Secretary to enter since which time your memoralist has called upon the said Secretary to see said entry, but was informed that no entry of said agreement was made. He therefore prays the Honorable Board, that the Secretary may be directed to make the entry now, that he may be admitted to the full benefit of said agreement. Your memoralist therefore feels it a duty he owes to himself and family to protest against all right, title and claim in Peter Audrain, Esq., to receive a deed of lot No. 10 in section No. 4; also against all right, title, claim or demand, in John Baptist Campau, Jr., to a deed of lot No. 49 in section No. 4. The same two lots, by virtue of said agreement with the Honorable Board, of right belongs to him the said James Anderson, for himself and in trust for Christopher Tuttle, Esq.

Therefore, he prays a hearing in vindication of said right and claim by him set up, in and to said two lots, when it shall please the Honorable Board to grant it to him, etc., and as in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

JAMES ANDERSON.

Detroit, January 20, 1807.

No. 36.

Petition of Charles Lafleur's claim to the lot sold Wm. Brown, filed 28th January, 1807:

To the Honorable the Legislature of Michigan:

The petition of Charles Lafleur humbly showeth that your petitioner did last year purchase a lot on the main street upon

certain conditions of payments. That the said lot has been assigned as a donation lot to Dr. Brown.

The reason assigned for depriving your Petitioner of the said lot was because he had signed a paper making his election to remain a British Subject. Your petitioner begs leave to observe that it is true he signed the paper but his signature was considered as null by the Court of the general quarter sessions of the peace, as having been made too late, etc.

Your petitioner prays redress in the premises and in duty bound will pray, etc.

CHS. POUPARD.

22nd January, 1807.

No. 35.

Jacob Smith's Petition to the Land Board for a deed for lot 4, S. 2, to himself and James Dodemead, January 22, 1807, filed 23rd January, 1807:

To the Honorable, the Commissioners of the Land Board, now sitting at Detroit.

Jacob Smith humbly sheweth that in the latter part of the summer of 1805 he entered upon building a House in Detroit upon lot 4, in section 2, with Mr. James Dodemead, with whom he then contemplated entering into a general co-partnership in merchandizing in said Detroit. They proceeded upon their joint account with said house, thro the residue of the summer and the ensuing fall, and until the same was completely covered in, one chimney erected., etc., when he was obliged to visit the Indian Country on business where he was some time detained. On his return, much to his surprise, he found John Dodemead and family in possession of said House, and he, presuming by the consent of the said James, in which said House the said John has ever since owned, contrary to the wishes of the said Jacob. The said Jacob further states that in erecting said House, in furnishing material, employing mechanics, laborers, etc., about the same, he has expended a large sum of money, to wit: between five and six hundred dollars. The said Jacob further states that he has repeatedly applied to the said James on the subject of the said house and for a settlement and has been as repeatedly put off by the said James, sometimes referring him to the said John Dodemead, and sometimes assigning other reasons for his refusal, which circumstances induced the said Jacob to believe that the same James

and John have combined together to defraud the said Jacob out of his interest in said House by obtaining a deed of the lot and immediately transfering the same to some other person. Added to the circumstances which have come under the view of the said Jacob, he has been informed that the said James has procured a provisional assignment of said lot, as his donation lot without even disclosing the interest of the said Jacob in the house thereon erected. Therefore the said Jacob, acting on the equity of his case, and that this Honorable Board will cause justice to be done in the premises, protests against any right in the said James, to receive a deed of said lot in his own name and to his own individual use. The said Jacob therefore prays this Honorable Board that a deed of said lot and premises may issue to the said Jacob and the said James, to hold the same to them and their heirs as tenants in common, under such regulations and restrictions upon the said Jacob as to the payment of a moiety for said Lot as to said Land Board shall seem meet and proper, and as in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

SOL. SIBLEY,
Attorney for Jacob Smith.

Detroit, January 22, 1807.

Sol. Sibley, for estate of McComb, filed 13th April, 1807:

To the Honorable, the Land Board:

Alexander McComb and the heirs of William McComb, deceased, in right of their father, claim title to four several lots or parcels of ground situated in what is called the Old Town of Detroit, which they pray may be confirmed and adjusted, to wit: one lot of 30 feet in front by 54 feet in depth, French measure (more or less), bounded in front and rear by St. Ann and St. James Street, on the east northeast by house and lot tenanted by A. Cook, on the 11th of June, 1805, on the west southwest by the alley leading to the fort called New St. Germain Street; Also one lot of 30 feet in front by 65 feet in depth, French measure (more or less), bounded in front and rear by St. James Street and St. Joseph Street, on the west southwest by New St. Germain Street and on the east northeast by a lot and house belonging to United States, called the Clothing Store, the same being purchased by said A. McComb and W. McComb and Sampson Fleming; Also one lot of land bounded in front on St. Ann Street, in rear on St. James Street, on the east northeast by lot in possession of John

Conner on the 11th of June, 1805, and on the west southwest by Small Street or lane being 40 feet, French measure, in front and rear by the depth from St. Ann to St. Joseph Street; Also one lot of ground situated in said town of — feet in front by — feet in depth, bounded in front by St. Ann Street, in rear by St. James Street, on the east northeast by house and lot of G. Godfrey, Jr., on the west southwest by lot in possession of John Conner on 11th June, 1805, being the same formerly purchased of Wallace Sharp & Company, which said several lots and parcels of ground the said Alexander McComb and heirs of William McComb in right of their father, pray may be confirmed to them to hold as tenants in common and as in duty bound will ever pray for.

SOL. SIBLEY,
Attorney for Alexander McComb and the heirs of W. McComb.

Detroit, April 13, 1807.

Certificate of Thomas Smith, surveyor, in favor of A. Longon, filed 13th April, 1807:

Mr. Longdon purchased a lot at auction on the west side of the cross street and by mistake erected a building some inches over the line on a lot intended for Mr. Gouie, but Mr. Gouie's renouncing his claim and to cover Mr. Langdon's improvement, Mr. Bates and myself, on the application of Mr. Landon gave our consent that he should take possession of that lot intended for Mr. Gouie subject to the approbation of the Honorable Legislative Board.

Given under my hand this 12th day of April, 1807.

THOS. SMITH.

Petition of Augustus Longan, filed 14th April, 1807, for a lot purchased by him, adjoining Gouie's, to be deeded him, adverse claim, Robert Smart.

To His Excellency, the Governor and the Honorable, the Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

The petition of your petitioner humbly showeth that in as much as his case with Mr. Robert Smart is now drawing to its close, he thinks fit respectfully to recall to your memories, facts to which he presumes if due weight is given will or at least ought evidently to show that his claim is founded upon the broad basis of equity and justice: It is as well known to yourselves as to your petitioner, that a certain part of the ground in question was

first of all reserved for the extinguishment of the ground of Mr. Gowey in the old town, and that either owing to its inferiority or more likely to the unfavorable opinion that everyone formed of it, Mr. Gowey declined taking it, it is likewise known to your honors that about this time a number of lots were put up at Public sale, amongst others was the lot or as it then was an overflowed marsh which in the eyes of every one but those of your petitioner appeared more calculated for the swine to wallow in, than for any improvements, notwithstanding this general opinion, notwithstanding the toil he must unavoidably undergo in draining off and filling in the same, notwithstanding the scoffs and mockery of the Public, your petitioner purchased this lot, adjoining the one then in reservation for Mr. Gowey, went industriously to work and by the sweat of his brow and a steady perseverance overcame all the difficulties that offered themselves in the draining and filling up of the same. he then went on to erect a house thereon; shortly after this if he is correct, the Governor and Chief Judge actuated by laudable sentiments of compassion left this for the City of Washington in order to represent the state of the poor inhabitants of Detroit and to obtain from Government something favorable to their interest not long after this Mr. Smith, the then surveyor (as appears by his certificate) in running over the lots discovered that your petitioner had through a mistake to which his non-acquaintance with the plan of the town subjected him, put his house somewhat over the line of Gowey's lot and in consequence of the representations of your petitioner and of the industry he had shown in changing a mere marsh into a fine and valuable piece of ground, and thereby not only adding to the embellishment of the town, but saving the inhabitants of this quarter of the town from the pernicious effects of marshes and stagnated water, in consequence of this does he say, Judge Bates who then acted under certain restricted powers, which the honorable Board has in divers instances acknowledged to have given him, thought fit, Mr. Gowey having previously relinquished his claim, to grant to your petitioner the said lot, under the encouragement given by Judge Bates and the full assurance of his title being at least as good and if not more so than any other, he picketed it in; as for what has since occurred and how and on what principle Mr. Smart comes forward and claims the same, your honors are better informed of than your petitioner. Your petitioner will

not undertake to comment on the great injustice of depriving him of what he humbly conceives he is justly entitled to, nor on the slightness and invalidity of Mr. Smart's claim, but rests the whole on the equity and justice of his own, joined with the disposition of your honors to do full justice to all, and to give encouragement where encouragement is due and as in duty bound your petitioner ever will pray.

AUGUSTIN LONGAN.

City of Detroit this 14th April, 1807.

James May's Deposition.

Territory of Michigan, to wit: Personally came before me, Robert Abbott, one of the Justices of the Peace in said territory at my chamber in Detroit, the twenty-seventh day of April in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seven, James May, of lawful age, who being duly sworn, on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, deposith and saith that he hath a perfect knowledge that Thomas Cox, formerly of Detroit, did own and possess the lot which is now applied for by William Robertson, situated in St. Louis Street and extending to the chemin-de ronde containing —— feet in front and rear and bounded on the North East side by George Meldrum and on the South West by John Dodemead, so early as the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy-nine and that he sold and conveyed the same to William Macomb, who sold and conveyed the same to William Robertson, I think, in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five, and that William Robertson has ever since been in the possession thereof.

Detroit, 27th April, 1807. JAMES MAY.

Sworn before Robert Abbott, J. P. D. D.

Deposition of James MacDonnell, filed the 1st June, 1807.

I, James McDonnel, of Detroit, in the Territory of Michigan, of lawful age under my corporial oath, do certify that in the year of our Lord, 1785, I came up from Montreal as a clerk to Mr. Wm. Robertson, then merchant at Detroit, where I arrived in November in the year last aforesaid. A few days after my arrival William Robertson purchased the house and lot then situated in St. Louis Street and extending down to the Chemin-de ronde, bounded on the northeast side by a lot now owned by Geo. Meldrum, and on the southwest by one owned by John Dodemead, of the late Wm. Maccomb, for which he paid twelve

hundred pounds N. Y. C. Y., all which sum of money I paid the said Wm. Maccomb with my own hands at different times for the said Wm. Robertson and when I made him the last payment he delivered me the title deeds, which I delivered unto Wm. Robertson, who hath, I believe, ever since been the owner and possessor of the said lot; further, I have nothing to say.

JAS. MCDONALD.

Sworn and subscribed to before me at my chambers in Detroit, this 27th of April, 1807.

JAMES ABBOTT, No. D. D.

Petition of J. Luckett praying for a donation lot, filed the 22nd of May, 1807.

To the Honorable the Legislature of the Territory of Michigan:

The Petition of the Subscriber humbly sheweth: That he was an inhabitant of the old Town of Detroit on the 11th day of June, 1805, at the time of the conflagration and that by virtue of an Act of Congress passed the —day of ———, 1806, granting to each Inhabitant of said town a Donation Lot in the new Town of Detroit not exceeding five thousand square feet of ground, prays that a lot may be assigned to him agreeable to said act. And your Petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

JNO. LUCKETT.

I certify that the above subscriber was born in the State of Maryland and has ever been a citizen of the United States, and was in the old Town of Detroit on the 11th June, 1805.

Detroit, May 22, 1807.

SAMUEL T. DYSON.

Endorsed:

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the Territory of Michigan.

Application of E. Brush, for Alex. McKee and Mathew Elliott, filed the 1st of June, 1807.

To His Excellency, the Governor, and to the honorable, the Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

Elijah Brush, of Detroit, Trustee to Alexander McKee, the younger, who is son and heir to Thomas McKee, who claims, under Alexander McKee, the elder, deceased, maketh application to this honorable board for the adjustment and confirmation of a certain messuage and tenement in the Town of Detroit and now occupied by Henry Berthelett, containing ninety-three feet in front upon the River Detroit and eighty-two and

one-half feet in rear, bounded on the northeast 303½ feet by Henry Berthelett and on the southwest 297 feet by a messuage and tenement owned and claimed by Mathew Elliott. As attorney for Mathew Elliott I do apply for an adjustment and confirmation of his claim next adjoining unto the aforesaid claim, containing the same quantity of ground as by a plot of both pieces or lots hereunto submitted will appear the evidence of the possession and improvements on both those lots except such improvements as have been made by Mr. Brush are hereunto submitted.

By E. Brush,
Trustee to Alexander McKee and
Attorney for Mathew Elliott.

Mary Young's, alias Ryan, notice. Postponed.

Detroit, the 16th November, 1808.

To Joseph Watson, Secretary.

To the Commissioners under the Act of Congress of the 21st April, 1806:

Sir: Mary Young, alias Ryan (by her attorney, William McDowell Scott), an inhabitant of the Town of Detroit on the 11th June, 1805, and at that time above the age of 17 years, puts in her claim to a donation lot.

Wm. Scott.

Petition of Widow Girardin, concerning her donation lot, etc. Filed with the Commissioners the 28th November, 1808.

Jos. Watson,
Secretary.

To the Honorable the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting as Commissioners under the Act of Congress, relating to the Town of Detroit:

The petition of Josette Girardin, widow and relict of the late Jacques Girardin, humbly sheweth unto your Honors That your petitioner is intitled to a Donation Lot under the said Act of Congress, upon which she understands Richard Smith, Esq., hath made improvements in the rear of his present dwelling house in the City of Detroit.

Your petitioner as an Inducement to your Honors, to take her case into your immediate consideration states that she is incumbered with a large family of young children, four of whom are

now confined to their Beds with lingering Fevers, who for some time past have been supported by her Charitable Neighbor, on whose liberality she would not have to trespass provided this Honorable Board of Commissioners would put your petitioner in possession of her said Donation or pay her the value thereof.

Your petitioner further states that this Honorable Board are further indebted to her Husband's Estate in the sum of thirty-three pounds, twelve shillings, New York Currency, being the estimation of Alexis Coquilliard and Isidore Peltier, two stone masons under oath of a certain stone well, and the workmanship of a stone chimney including the lime, the property of your petitioner, agreeably to their affidavit herewith, sworn to before James Abbott, J. P. D. D., on the first day of September, A. D. 1805, which this Honorable Board undertook to pay on her agreeing to exchange her lot in the old Town, foot for foot, for an equal quantity of land in the new City of Detroit. That your petitioner has in consequence of the aforesaid agreement settled herself and built on a lot in the new City, containing 5,000 feet, for which she solicits a deed, and she claims 520 feet of land which your petitioner humbly solicits, she may be allowed to locate on any remnant of a lot in the main street of the said City, as still remains at the disposal of your Honors, her lot in the old Town exchanged as aforesaid, containing 5,520 square feet. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Detroit, 28 November, 1808.

JOSETTE GIRARDIN,
Veuve de Jacques Girardin.

The application of Joseph Campau, confirmed.

To the Honorable the Legislative Board of Michigan:

Joseph Campau, who was an inhabitant of the old Town of Detroit on the 11th of June, 1805, entereth his claim for his donation lot where the Indian Council House formerly stood in the old Town of Detroit, and prayeth the honorable board will confirm the same to him.

Detroit, December 1, 1808.

By his attorney,

E. BRUSH.

A. Geel, for lot 63, section 1, as donation lot of wife, rejected.

To the Commissioners for the City of Detroit:

The Humble petitioner, Abraham Geel, sets forth in his memorial that His wife is entitled to a Donation Lot in the City of Detroit, and that he now occupies No. 63 in section No. 1; that he has made considerable improvements on said lot. He likewise understands that Sol. Sibley, Esq., agent for Isaac Hunt, Late a citizen of Detroit, has located on said lot, your petitioner further States that He is of opinion that He ought to be allowed a preference of Said lot, as he is now an Inhabitant and has made Large improvements in this city and will continue so to do, and should the Honorable Commissioners be of opinion that the Lot which he occupies ought not to be granted to his Wife, she being entitled only to Draw in the second or third class, He will in that case agree to pay to the Detroit Fund the sum of twentyfive dollars as a difference of Quality between the Lot which He occupies and those in the second or third class, and your petitioner, as in duty bound, etc etc.

December 20, 1808.

ABRAHAM GEEL.

Abraham Geel's notice for lot 63, section 1.

To the Honorable Commissioners for settling claims of land in the City of Detroit:

The petition of Abraham Geel humbly prayeth that the Commissioners will Grant to Mrs. Geel the Lot numbered 63 in section No. 1 for Her Donation lot, as said Lot is now occupied (and has been for a Space of time past) by Abram Geel, Husband of Mrs. Geel, and as it has been practicable for the Honorable Commissioners to Grant to persons Entitled to Donation Lots, all Lots which they may have in possession by improvement, and as the Said Geel is now in possession of said Lot he therefore prays that a Deed may Issue to Mrs. Geel for her donation and as in Duty bound shall ever pray.

Detroit, 28th, 1808.

ABRAHAM GEEL.

Return relative to claims in the old Town of Detroit:

Return of individuals whose claims in the old town have not been adjusted; as far as can be ascertained from documents in possession of the Commissioners under the Act of Congress of the 21st April, 1806:

James Dodemead; no deed to his lot.

Peter Desnoyer.

Angus Mc.Mackintosh.

Estate of James Girardin; says he has more ground.

James Vincent; let it by, no agreement.

Richard Pattinson; Mr. Brush will (if he has not) make a deed.

Mathew Donovan; connected with Vincent.

Heirs of William McCombs, deceased; surveys made.

Catholic Corporation.

Return of individuals who have entered into arrangements for the adjustment of their claims and some of whom have already signed relinquishments of their old ground, and some not:

Jean Baptiste Picquet, Gabriel Godfroy, Elijah Brush, R. and J. Abbott, Charles Curry, James May, David McClain, Conrad Seek, John Watson, James Henry, Mary Abbott, estate of William Robertson, deceased.

Detroit the 6th March, 1809.

JOS. WATSON.

John Baldwin, to part of Jos. Campau's lot in O. T. near the Church, granted by Governor and Judges to Charles Poupard, and by Poupard assigned to Baldwin.

To the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan.

Gentlemen: The undersigned respectfully requests and prays you to set in your capacity as commissioners under the act of Congress, in order to decide that which is right and just in his case, the circumstances of which are, that on the 26th day of December, 1808, the Commissioners confirmed and granted part of Joseph Campau's lot in the old town near the Church to Charles Poupard, alias Lafleur, and that on the 5th May, 1809, the said Poupard conveyed his right and title in and to the said lot to the undersigned, and that it since appears that although a deed has been made out to said Campau for ground in lieu of said lot, he has not thought fit to relinquish in writing the same to the Governor and Judges, which operates much to the injury of the undersigned, who flatters himself that such measures will be taken as may secure him in a good title to the said lot.

Detroit the 12th September, 1810.

JOHN BALDWIN.

Petition for deed for lots 32, 33, 34 and 35, Geo. McDougall, June 3rd, 1811. Presented and granted, deed ordered.

To His Excellency the Governor, and Honorable Judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting as Commissioners under the Act of Congress dated April 21, 1806:

The Memorial of Geo. McDougall
of the City of Detroit

Humbly sheweth,

That your Memoralist became a purchaser of lots No. 32, 33, 34 and 35, at public auction, on the 6th March, 1809, and duly paid to Wm. McD. Scott, twelve dollars fifty cents, being the first payment thereon, but finding shortly after that the sale of these lots, being part of the Detroit Commons, gave almost general offense to the Proprietors in the old Town and in the Country, your Memoralist did not apply for a deed at the time, nor did he give his notes, for the last payments, in hopes that a petition to your Honors then in circulation on the subject of said lots, would be the means of frustrating the same. He nevertheless tendered the amount of the second payment to the Treasurer on the 7th September, 1809, and again on the 6th March, 1810, $37.50 as the same and last payment thereof, which Mr. Brush declined receiving inasmuch as the second payment was not offered in season, as may be more fully seen, reference being had to Certificates herewith handed in.

Your Memoralist having on this day paid to E. Brush, Esq., aforesaid, Treasurer of the Detroit Fund, his receipt ready to be produced, forty dollars forty-two cents, being the balance and interest due on said four lots, in conformity to a late resolution of the Board, humbly trusts that a deed for the same may be made to him by your Honors without loss of time, and as in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

City of Detroit April 23, 1811.

GEO. MCDOUGALL.

Petition of Robert Smart, filed with the Secretary of the Land Board, November 27, 1815.

Lots 61 and 62, section 3. A. E. WING.

To His Excellency the Governor, and the Honorable the Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

The petition of Robert Smart, of Detroit, humbly sheweth that as the assignee of Catherine Briely, assignee of John Murphy, assignee of David McLean, late of Detroit, deceased, he the said Robert, claims to have deeded to him in fee simple, two cer-

tain lots of land, lying and being in the City of Detroit, and on the plat thereof numbers 61 and 62 in section 3. Which said lots were granted to David McLean of said City on or about the —— day of —— by the Governor and Judges. The one for account of his donation under the Act of Congress relating to said City, and the other in exchange for a lot of ground owned by said McLean in the old Town of Detroit. Your petitioner has acquired the title and interest of the said McLean in and to said lots, by regular conveyances of the same. Your petitioner further states that he is informed and advised that the original deed if ever executed by the Governor and Judges for said lots, are not to be found. That if executed the same were not delivered and if delivered have been lost. Your petitioner holds in his possession an acquittance of said McLean of the lot by him claimed in the old Town, that conveys the same to the Governor and Judges, and which he is ready to deliver, said Governor and Judges and the execution and delivery to him of deed for the lots above mentioned, with authority to do any act or thing that may be considered necessary and proper in the premises. Therefore the said Robert Smart prays that the subject matters contained in his petition may be taken into consideration, and that deed may issue to him for said lots 61 and 62 in section 3 as above mentioned, and as in duty bound, etc.

October 29, 1816.

For Robert Smart,
SOL. SIBLEY, *Attorney.*

Mr. Louis Lognon, son lot de Donaison allouer par le Gouverneur et les Juges du Territoire Michigand du Detroit, 26 Juin, 1809.

At a session of the Commissioners under the Act of Congress of the 21st day of April, 1806, at the City of Detroit on the 22nd day of December, 1808.

On motion of the governor: Ordered, "That deeds be granted to Charles Curry and his wife, formerly the wife of Hugh Calaghan, for lot No. 1 in the 3rd section and four thousand feet of lot No. 4 in the same section, being the residue said lot, one thousand feet of which has been deeded to Hugh R. Martin, he paying thirtyfour dollars and 86/100 towards satisfying Mr. Louis Lognion's donation before the 1st day of January, next, and relinquishing seven thousand two hundred and fifty-seven

feet of ground in the old town, which was formerly the property of the Estate of Hugh Calaghan.

June 26th, 1809.

A true copy from the Journals.

Jos. WATSON,
Secretary.

Received at Detroit, August 28, 1816, of Mr. James Chittenden, in behalf of his wife, late Widow Calaghan, at Brush's treasury Note No. 36 for $10 dated 1st August, 1808.

Interest thereon $4.80 to the date, is $14.80.

Bank Notes to the amount of —— 36. —— is $50.80.

In full of the within.....$34.86
and 7 years and 8 months interest to this date..... 15.94

$50.80

GEO. MCDOUGALL,
Attorney for Louis Lognon.

List of lots granted and ordered by the Governor and Judges since the 8th of October, 1816:

Lots 28 and 29, out lots, to John R. Walker for heirs of Horner, October 15, 1816. Subject to the opening of streets, lanes, alleys, etc.

Certain lot or parcel of ground to Catholic Church, October 17, 1816. Beginning at the western and southern corner of a lot granted to P. Audrain, now the property of J. Campeau, and running thence on the course north 30 degrees, west 200 feet; thence south 60 degrees, west 132 feet; thence south 30 degrees, east 200 feet: thence north 60 degrees, east 132 feet to the beginning, containing 26,400 square feet, more or less, reserving the alleys, etc., etc., and all private claims, according to the original plan.

Lots 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, section 1, to Catholic Church, October 17, 1816.

Lots 40, 41, 84 and 85, section 1, to Catholic Church, October 17, 1816. Proviso, that in that part of the said lots 40, 41, 84, 85, which is now used as a public communication, nothing shall be erected which shall intercept the said communication, continuing to the 17th day of October, 1831, unless another communication be previously opened.

The interior and central triangle, section 1, to Catholic Church, October 17, 1816. For the erection of a church, provided if a

church be not erected and maintained thereon the use of the said ground shall revert to the public, and provided that the church be not erected on or before the 1st December, 1818, and provided further, that no interments be made after 1st June, 1817.

Lot 73, section 4, to Catharine McNiff, October 18, 1816. The lot on which she now lives.

Lot 50, section 3, to Richard Smythe, October 18, 1816.

Lot 4, section 3, to Mrs. Chittenden, December 19, 1816. With the exception of 10 by 100 feet bounding on lot No. 3 in the same section.

A lot; Benj. Woodworth, December 19, 1816. Part of a lot adjoining him on which the Indian Blacksmith Shop formerly stood.

Lots 27, 31, 32, 33, 63, 64, 65, 66, 68, 69, 70, 71, section 9, Catholic Church, November 5, 1816. Together with the use of the streets and alleys between them for a burying ground.

Lots 19 and 20, section 3, to H. J. Hunt, November 25, 1816.

Lots 6 and 7, out lots, to James Abbott, November 25, 1816.

Lots 68 and 69, out lots, to John R. Williams, November 27, 1816.

Lot 57, section 4, to John R. Williams, November 27, 1816.

Lot 41, section 4, to Solomon Sibley, December 17, 1816. As assignee of Jacob Fairman.

Lot 36, section 8, to Mrs. Scott, December 17, 1816.

Lot 82, section 6, to Sarah Knowland, December 17, 1816.

Lots 61 and 62, section 3, to Robert Smart, December 17, 1816.

Lots 82 and 83, out lots, to Solomon Sibley, December 18, 1816. At the request of James May.

Lots 37, 38, 39, 66, 67, 56, 57, 58, out lots, to James May, December 18, 1816.

Lot 78, section 7, to Margaret Hanks, December 19, 1816.

Lot 81, out lot, to John Palmer, December 19, 1816.

Lot 51, section 3, to Rich. Smythe, December 19, 1816.

Lots 70 and 71, out lots, to Abraham Cook, December 19, 1816.

A lot to John S. Roby, December 31, 1816. The lot on which he now lives to be retained by Sol. Sibley till Robert Innis files relinquishment for all claims of Matthew Donovan to land in the old Town of Detroit.

Lots 12 and 13, section 2, to Joseph Thibault, December 31, 1816. Parts of lots.

Lot 15, section 2, to Benj. Stead, December 31, 1816. To be retained by S. Sibley till Robt. Gouie files relinquishment to all claims in the old town and till Stead pays $50 to Treasurer and secures by his note the payment of $100 in 2 annual installments, with interest till paid. Relinquishment filed by S. S. 13 November, 1817.

Lot 50, section 8, to Catharine Doneghy, December 31, 1816. Donation of lot of Peter Curry.

Lots 63, 64, 65, out lots, to Dr. Wm. McCroskey, December 31, 1816.

Lot 41, section 6, to Dr. Wm. McCroskey, December 31, 1816.

Lot 81, section 10, to Dr. Sylvester Day, December 31, 1816.

Lots 24, 25, 26, 27, out lots, to Benj. Woodworth, December 31, 1816.

Lot 53, section 4, to Benj. Woodworth, December 31, 1816. To be retained as an escrow title he conveys to the U. S. the lot whereon the new Indian Blacksmith shop is built.

Lot 74, section 8, to Mrs. Agnes McLean, November 11, 1817.

Lot 21, out lot, to Jacob G. Sanders, December 9, 1817.

Lot 99, section 2, Mary Longdon, delivered to A. Long'n. December 29, 1817. Signed May 9, 1809.

Lots 83, 75, 13, 87, 88, section 1, to John Whipple, J. B. Peltier, heirs of A. Gill, J. Andre, J. B. Belanger, and J. B. Durett, December 30, 1817. Parts of lots between Brush and Randolph streets, ordered to be granted on conditions of certain payments.

Lots 101, 102, 103, 94, section 3, to Thomas Smith, December 30, 1817. Deeds delivered to S. Sibley.

Lot 77, section 8, to Mary Donovan, December 30, 1817. Deed delivered to S. Sibley.

Lot 68, section 8, Sarah Elliott, December 30, 1817. Deed delivered to S. Sibley.

Lot 176, 175, 172 and part of 171, section 4, to Solomon Sibley, December 30, 1817.

Part of lots 77, 80, 81, 75, 78, 79, section 4, to Solomon Sibley, December 30, 1817. As assignee of Gabriel Richard.

Appraisement for Mrs. Chittenden's well:

We, the undersigned, having been called on to appraise the well in the old Town claimed by Mrs. Chittenden do say that the same in our opinions is worth one hundred and thirty dollars.

Detroit, 19th October, 1816.

JAMES ABBOTT
JAMES DODEMEAD.
RICHD. SMYTH.

Petition of Stephen Mack, Shubael Conant, Henry J. Hunt, and Abraham Edwards, relating to sundry lots for erecting a steam mill, etc.

Presented and filed December 20th, 1816.

A. E. WING, *Secretary.*

To the Governor and the Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

Gentlemen: Believing that a manufactory of flour in the City of Detroit, by the agency of steam, would be of great advantage to the Territory at large and particularly to the City of Detroit, we have agreed to make the experiment if assured of the patronage of the local Government.

In order to the prosecutions of the establishment with success, both as regards the public and the proprietors, the items of expense must be kept steadily in view, and such measures adopted as are best calculated to reduce these as low as possible. The location of the works is therefore of primary importance in relation to the transport of stock, fuel, etc. A position upon the margin of the river, of sufficient extent for erecting the mill house, as well as other necessary buildings, is deemed indispensable by the Company. Such an extent of ground cannot be purchased of individuals within the city. The only alternative is the application we now make, for a grant of lots Nos. 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 178 and 179 in section 4, or so much thereof as are at the disposition of the Governor and Judges.

The lots here mentioned, if granted, can be filled in and made convenient to answer the views of the Company. It is expected that they will be conveyed on early and liberal terms.

We are now prepared to enter upon the negotiations, and to close a contract of purchase, whenever convenient to the Governor and Judges, presuming that the conditions of sale will be liberal. We are anxious for an early decision—arrangements will be made by the Commissioner for filling in the lots imme-

diately on receiving a deed. A detached view of the objects in contemplation by the Company will be given if required.

With sentiments of respect we are, gentlemen,

Your most obedient servants,

December 20th, 1816.

STEPHEN MACK,
SHUBAEL CONANT,
HENRY J. HUNT,
A. EDWARDS,
Agents for the Company.

Protest of the corporation of the City of Detroit to certain water lots being sold by the Governor and Judges sitting as a Land Board.

To His Excellency the Governor, and the Hon. the Judges of the Territory of Michigan, Present:

Gentlemen: The undersigned, trustees of the city of Detroit, are informed that it is the intention of the Governor and Judges to sell the grounds covered with water, lying in front of the City of Detroit, and that they will be sold as comprising a part of the ten thousand acres of land, donated by the United States for the purpose of erecting a Court House and jail in said City.

The trustees, on inspection, are of the opinion that the ground in question is not embraced in that grant, that the same being covered with a navigable water, and embracing the front of the City. The exclusive use thereof is a fit subject to be regulated by the corporation, if however, it should be determined that the corporation have not now authority to use or regulate the use of said ground such an authority ought to exist, the necessary measures will be adopted by the corporation at the ensuing session of Congress to obtain a grant, embracing the whole of the docks in front of the City. The trustees, on behalf of the City, request that the intended sales of the lots, lying in front of the City of Detroit, and below high water mark, may be suspended until the experiment may be made with Congress for a grant to the corporation of said grounds.

With sentiments of high respect we are, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servants,

A. EDWARDS, *Chairman,*
S. MACK,

PETER J. DESNOYERS,
OLIVER W. MILLER.

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*Note.—This paper is not dated, but is probably 1817, as Edwards was chairman at that time. (C. M. B.)

Petition of Mrs. Isabelle Macomb, March 3, 1817.

To the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

The petition of Isabella Macomb, widow, humbly sheweth:

That on the 17th day of January, 1816, William Macomb, by his deed of the same date, executed and delivered your petitioner for a valuable consideration therein expressed, conveyed to your Petitioner to hold to her and her heirs, her rights and interest in and to certain lots of ground, situated in the Town of Detroit, derived and acquired under the will of his deceased father, William Macomb. Your petitioner is advised that the Governor and Judges have adjusted the title to said lots so claimed, and have ordered other lots located on an equivalent, and that deeds are directed to be made out and delivered the said William and David, upon certain conditions expressed in said order instead of the said David and your petitioner, which said order if acted upon as it now will, as your petitioner is advised, materially effect and prejudice the interest of your petitioner acquired under the conveyance of the said William as above stated. Therefor for in as much as your petitioner has acquired by purchase the right and interest of the said William Macomb, in and to said lots in the Town of Detroit, for which said lots are offered as an equivalent, she prays that the order of the Board may be altered and amended in such manner as that the deeds of the Governor and Judges may be made to your petitioner and David Macomb and not to David and William Macomb as by the order now entered is contemplated, and as in duty bound will ever pray.

For Mrs. Isabella Macomb,
SOL SIBLEY, *Attorney.*

March 3, 1817.

(Copy.) "Know all men by these presents that I, William Macomb, of Detroit, Michigan Territory, in and for the consideration of the sum of five hundred dollars lawful money of the United States of America, have bargained, sold, enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do bargain, sell, enfeoff and con-

firm to Isabella Macomb, all my right, title and interest in certain lots situate, lying and being in the Town of Detroit, to have and to hold the same to herself and her heirs forever.

Also I do hereby transfer all my right, title and interest to a certain claim for damages done to the old farm, now the Town of Detroit, being the one third of said damages, in the whole amounting to four thousand, three hundred and forty-eight dollars and ten cents, in witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this 17th day of January, 1816.

WM. MACOMB.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of:

ALEX. MACOMB.

T. Smith's advice contained in Sundry Enclosed Letters relating to Surveys of the City.

Memo.—Mr. Smith has began to draw a map of the City on a large scale in separate sections in order for to preserve the numbers and the length of the lines, and he thinks it would be necessary to have also a map drawn upon a smaller scale for the engraver, with an Index of reference for the loss of the original would be attended with evil consequences. Capt. McCloskey would be a proper person for to complete these draughts.

T. S.

City of Detroit, 30 Dec. 1817.

To H. E. the Gov and the
Hon the Judges of Michigan.

Schedule of papers left Mr. Wing by T. Smith, 31 December, 1817.

City of Detroit, 31 December, 1817. Received of Thos. Smith the following public papers, viz:

One blue case containing the following public papers:

1. A mortgage of the city.
2. Book of Sections, by Mr. Hull.
3. A map of the City, by Mr. Hull.
4. Plat and description of the ground between Brush line and Randolph Street, together with the claim of Berthelet and Sibley.
5. Plat and description of the old jail (Girardin lot).
6. Six descriptions of the claims between Brush line and Randolph Street, of Whipple, Peltier, Westbrook, Ballangy, Clarke and Durette.

7. T. Smith received for services up to 31 Dec., 1817.
8. Sketch of Detroit as it stood before 1796.
9. Sketch of the 10,000 acres.
10. Schedule of City, by Miller.
12. Copy of Fletcher's survey.
13. Copy of survey of the 10,000 acres.
14. Field notes of 10,000 acres by Fletcher, ditto J. R. Williams, one of the corporation, one fast drain made for the city lots.

City of Detroit, 31 December, 1817. Received of Thos. Smith the following papers, viz:

A blue case containing, viz:

1. Map of the city, by T. Smith from the survey of T. Smith in 1806.
2. Book of sections by Mr. Hull (exhibiting errors).
3. A map by sections of the City from an original of T. Smith (exhibiting errors).
4. Plat and description of the ground between Brush line and Randolph street, together with the claims of Berthelet and Sibley.
5. Plat and description of the said jail (Girardin lot).
6. Six descriptions of the claims between Brush line and Randolph Street, Whipple, Peltier, Westbrook, Ballangy, Clarke and Durett.
7. T. Smith's acct. for services up to 31 Dec., 1817—audited to which is to be added 10 dollars of error and cash in the treasury, $56.25, paid in per receipt of Mr. Abbott.
8. Sketch of Detroit as it stood before 1796.
9. Sketch of the 10,000 acres.
10. Schedule of lots granted under the administration of Governor Hull.
11. Plan of the park lots by Surveyor Miller.
12. Copy of Fletcher's survey.
13. Fletcher's survey of the 10,000 acres.
14. Fletcher's field notes, ditto J. R. Williams, one of the corporation, one fast drain made for the use of the city.

Description of Westbrook and Clark's Claims. 1817.

Westbrook, part of lot No. 83 in section No. 1, between Brush line and Randolph Street. 2553 square feet.

Description: Beginning on Brush line at the boundary of Clarke; thence south 60 degrees west 48 feet to Randolph Street; thence north 30 degrees west and north, following the border of said street to the boundary of Peltier; thence south 60 degrees east 44 feet to Brush line; thence south 26 degrees east on said line 53 feet to the place of beginning, containing 2553 square feet, more or less, being part of lots 83 and 75, reserving what may be cut off by the continuation of Larned Street.

THOS. SMITH.

City of Detroit 31 December, 1817.

Clarke, part of lot No. 75 in section No. 1, between Brush line and Randolph street. 2688 square feet.

Description: Beginning on Brush line at the boundary of Ballangy; thence south 60 degrees west 47 feet to Randolph Street; thence north 30 degrees west at the line of said street 56 feet to ——— boundary; thence north 60 degrees east 48 feet to Brush line; thence on said line south 26 degrees east to the place of beginning, containing 2688 square feet, more or less, being part of lot No. 75, section No. 1, reserving what may be cut off by the continuation of Larned Street.

THOS. SMITH.

31 December, 1817.

Smith to Board. Letter.

To His Excellency, the Governor and the Honorable Judges:

Mr. Smith, being about settling his son in business was necessitated to meet his little matters, and to make it convenient he made an arrangement with Mayor Mack in respect to what is due to him by the treasury, by which, and taking into consideration his expenses and disbursements, his allowance will not exceed three dollars per day.

When he purchased the lots he requested an order on the treasury, but not obtaining it, he had to pay the first instalment in lots 102, 103. In December, 1817, his account was liquidated for that and the preceding year, and as he would had interest to pay the treasury, he presumed that what is owing to him by the treasury ought to be reciprocal, all which, however, he respectfully submits.

Detroit, 9 December, 1818.*

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*Note.—This is in the handwriting of Thomas Smith. (C. M. B.)

Protest, December 12, 1818. Th. Rowland for J. Eastman.

Filed in my office December 12th, 1818.

To the Honorable the Governor, and Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

The undersigned would respectfully represent that on the ninth day of January, 1812, water lots 176, 177, 178 and 179 in section four in the City of Detroit were granted to Jonathan Eastman, then of Detroit, by a resolution of your honorable Board, at the rate of one third of a cent for each square foot and that subsequently on the 12th day of August, 1812, a deed was signed and delivered to said Jonathan Eastman, he having previously signed a mortgage to secure the payment of the sum of fifty one dollars and 33½ cents in conformity with your resolution of the 18th January, 1812, that the deed so signed and delivered to said Jonathan has been lost during the late war, that the said water lots have since been sold at public auction, therefore the undersigned begs leave to protest, and does hereby protest against any transfer which has been made or may be intended to be made of the said lots as thereby manifest if justice would be done to the said Jonathan Eastman.

Detroit, 11th December, 1818.

THOMAS ROWLAND,
Agent for J. Eastman.

James May's Report filed 12th May, 1819.

To the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

The undersigned, in obedience to your request of yesterday respecting Benjamin Woodworth's account of extra work, done on the new Jail, begs leave to report that the following Items, in his opinion, are and ought to be considered as Extra work, as not included in his contract, viz:

Planking the sides, and laying the floors of eight cells on the first floor.

Laying the floors of eight cells, in second story.

Ditto the floors of large hall.

Ditto the floors of Debtor's Hall.

Putting up a partition in debtor's apartments.

Making two doors and frames for ditto.

Putting in irons for ditto.

Making a closet for kitchen.

N. B.—It was originally intended that the Walls of the cells should be plastered, and the floors laid with Brick, also the front and debtor's Hall, were to have been laid with Brick, and was part of the Mason's contract it was judged proper to have the Walls lined and the floors laid with oak and pine plank, which reduces so much of the Mason's work, and must be deducted from their contract.

Detroit, May 13, 1819.

JAMES MAY,
Superintendent.

Thos. Smith's Deposit, May 13, 1819.

Detroit, 13th May, 1819.

Sir: From the conversation I heard yesterday I am induced to lay the following statement before the Governor and the Legislative Board and that in justice to me they will be pleased to allow it to be filed with the archives of the City.

Detroit was laid off in the year 181-- according to an idea suggested by Mr. Justice Woodward which required more than ordinary pains to be rendered practicable. Lots were granted on that plan, and afterwards on a second plan by Mr. Abijah Hull, but after the late war the principal documents were lost and no memorandum left of the lots that had been ceded. This caused a third plan unavoidable and being without a date it subjected the present Board to give away lots that had been already granted. This is the only inconvenience that I can perceive except the deviation of Mr. Hull from the principles of the plan which has thrown one lot into the grave yard, and made an alteration in some of the courses near the Public wharf, and in the few instances where the numbers deviate from the grant both numbers are inserted in the new Plan, which together will show that every attention was paid on my part to regularity.

As to the new prison it will not stand the criticism of an architect, its proportion is lost, and is not fire proof which might have been with very little more expense, and therefore the Plan was not followed. And lest any reflection might be made

on me by those unacquainted with circumstances, I stand ready to answer. I have the honor to be, sir,

Your most obedient servant,

THOS. SMITH.

To AUSTIN E. WING, ESQ., *Secretary*.

Smith Communication to the Board. 1819.

To the Honorable, the Members of the City Land Board at Detroit:

September 15, 1819.

Gentlemen: I attended two Boards to explain some apparent errors in the City Map, but nothing appeared as imagined, although from the confused state of materials I had to work upon and the hurry to get the business through it would not be surprising to find some trifling errors, but I do not know of any, nor were any shewn to me except such as before existed. The apparent errors arise from the irregularity of the numbers—two deeds of different numbers for the same lot, and consequently both numbers were necessarily inserted. On the other hand I was bound by an erroneous plan of Mr. Hull sanctioned under the authority of a former Board—and to conform to the series of numbers on the granted lots I had to place two numbers on some of the ungranted but that is of no consequence, as it is as easy to describe a lot with two numbers, as one, such as I have frequently seen in the course of my operations.

In the Range adjoining the English Grave Yard Mr. Hull or some other surveyor made the lots 50, and some 60 feet for which deeds have been issued, but I found that they could not be more than 50 without encroaching on the Graveyard which is already too contracted—and in which Range I discovered a vacant lot or one for which no claimant has yet appeared.

The book of sections could not be found for some time and as I had neglected taking a receipt for the public documents it gave me some uneasiness, although it would have been as well if it never had been found, for to follow the unalterable proportions of the Plan it was impossible to conform precisely to that book.

During a week stay in town I discovered that the idle talk about the errors originated with designing Persons; and that those pretended errors might appear more plausible; two of Ber-

thelet's lots were described in the River by a formal Plan; two lots of Col. Richard Smyth, and Robert Smart in the center of a section, and one lot claimed by Mr. Audrain on the Military Square reported 1,300 feet more or less than it contained, and presented in that state to the Board for confirmation and further to prove that there was malice and design, the Theodolite I sent over expressly for the use of the Town, and left in charge of Mr. Ball is purposely mutilated and damaged so as to be utterly useless, and which cost me 150 dollars.

I have searched into the pretended difficulties and found none but what were caused by the alterations of former Surveyors, and which were put into a train to be got over. The Plan is practicable but it will not admit of Innovation without destroying its mathematical beauty and symmetry, and therefore, I was always adverse to the 200 foot streets, and the center streets with the recesses at the angles as a deformity and a nuisance; or any other theoretical Improvement as tending to lose sight of the principle.

It would seem that there were some reflections (respecting the Plan) but they were ungenerous, and without cause; for so great was the confidence of the Public; that lots were sold 50 per cent higher than they would have done before I undertook the then existing difficulties—and I believe that on Investigation I have not disappointed them, so far as it was practicable.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

Your most obedient servant,

THOS. SMITH.

P. S.—If my opinion was of any weight, it would be to take 40 feet off on each side of the 200-foot streets, close the center streets, and sell the land to the adjoining Proprietors; to grant no lots in the center area of sections, but reserve them for public gardens to be leased, which would produce a perpetual revenue, as well as conducive to the health of the Inhabitants and a place of depot in case of fire. The greatest fault is the smallness of the lots, which has prevented some from building decent houses, and which could not be remedied otherwise than by lengthening the base and augmenting the proportions.

These suggestions, I respectfully submit to your consideration, feeling an interest in the prosperity of a town in which I

had no little share in its construction, deduced from the ideas of Mr. Justice Woodward. T. S.

Addressed to A. E. Wing, Esq., Secretary.

Petition to Governor and Judges by S. Sibley in behalf of R. Forsyth; lot 18 and part of 17, 37 and 38, section 3, 1820.

To the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan, acting under the Act of Congress of the 21st of April, 1806, providing for adjusting the title of land in the Town of Detroit, etc.:

Robert A. Forsyth, administrator de bonis non, which, were of Robert Forsyth, late of Detroit, claimed for and on behalf of the creditors, heirs and legal representatives of the said Robert Forsyth, deceased, humbly showeth,

That the said Robert Forsyth in his lifetime, together with one William Smith, being then partners made a purchase of one George Sharp, of a house, lot and premises in the City of Detroit, to wit: on the 30th of September, 1798.

That the said George Sharp by deed of said date conveyed said property to John Kinzie, half brother of said Robert in trust, to hold the same to the use and for the benefit of said Forsyth and Smith, their heirs and assigns, and by said Kinzie Bond of same date to said Forsyth and Smith is made evident. That said Forsyth and Smith entered into possession of said property and continued to possess and occupy the same until the year 1805, when being embarrassed in business, it was agreed the said property should be sold for the benefit of the creditors of said Forsyth and Smith, and accordingly was sold at auction by James May, Esq., and by the deceased purchased in through Jonathan Scheffelin, his friend and agent, and permitted to remain in the name of said Kinzie for the use of said deceased, without any conveyance being made in pursuance to said sale at auction. And that the said Robert, deceased, from the time of such sale at auction for his own use possessed, occupied and enjoyed said premises, receiving the rents and profits thereof to his use and benefit until ejected and turned out of possession by the British Army in 1812. That in 1805 the dwelling house, etc., were burned and afterwards rebuilt by the said deceased at his own expense. That the said Robert Forsyth died in the State of Ohio in the year 1813. That after the death of the said Robert, they named John Kinzie with a view to injure and defraud the credit-

ors and heirs of the deceased in violation of the trust reposed in him by the deceased did undertake to exercise ownership over said property and to sell the same to one Richard Pattinson, since deceased, whose legal representatives make claim to said lot, claims under said sale, which your petitioner avers to be fraudulent, null and void, as having been made by collusion and without legal authority in the said John Kinzie. Wherefore for inasmuch as the legal and equitable estate in and to said lot and premises belongs to the creditors, heirs and legal representatives of the said Robert Forsyth, deceased, and not in the said Kinzie or his assigns your petitioner prays that the said title to said lot may be adjusted and that a deed for the same may be made to the legal heirs and representatives of the said Robert, deceased.

January 13, 1820.

R. A. Forsyth,
Administrator to the Estate of Robert Forsyth, deceased.

On motion to the Board ordered that the deposition, William Forsyth, be taken at Sandwich before a Magistrate or other person to take depositions relating to the matters set forth in the petition this day filed by Robert A. Forsyth, it being suggested that the said Wm. Forsyth is dangerously ill, and not likely to live. On giving notice of the taking of such deposition to the parties concerned.

1820. R. A. Forsyth. Petition. Filed in my office October 23, 1820.

A. E. Wing,
Secretary.

To the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan:

The memorial of Robert A. Forsyth, administrator de bonis non, of Robert Forsyth, late of Detroit, deceased, humbly showeth that the said Robert Forsyth in his lifetime was the rightful owner of a lot of ground with a valuable dwelling house and outbuildings thereon erected, situated in the City of Detroit. That the said lot of ground was held in the name of John Kinzie in trust for said Forsyth and one William Smith, and afterwards by said Kinzie in trust for said deceased. Your memorialist is informed that the said John Kinzie since the death of said Robert Forsyth pretends right and claim in and to said lot, and has

moved your Honors for a deed for said lot and premises in ———— of the trust reposed in him by the deceased. Wherefore your memorialist in right and behalf of the heirs, creditors and legal representatives of said Robert Forsyth, deceased, appears and protests against the claims of said Kinzie to said lots and says that a deed for the same ought to issue to the heirs of the said Robert, deceased, and not to said John Kinzie, which he is ready to prove before this honorable board.

SOL. SIBLEY,
Attorney for R. Forsyth, Administrator.

Detroit, October 23, 1820.

Requisition, T. Smith, 1821:

It would appear that the public looks to Mr. S. for to rectify the errors that have crept into the survey of the city, but surely they cannot suppose that he is accountable for the several changes made by different surveyors during sixteen years without his knowledge.

Required that the city chain be sent to the blacksmith to be adjusted—one hundred cedar pickets—half a toise of rubbish stone. The chain man to be appointed and sworn, who may be wanted for a week or fortnight. One ———— stone of a foot square to be set in the line of Jefferson Avenue at the angle of the principal base, 5 or 6 feet in length. The general plan and the back plan wanted for inspection.

N. B.—The above requisition is in case more than one boundary is wanted.

A wheel plough for one or two days to turn a furrow around the sections. As to the original diagram it is the same, but as to the alterations made in the interior arrangement Mr. S. would not like to proceed without written instructions, and every section drawn by itself and signed by the board. Mr. S. feels this an indispensable duty he owes to himself.

List of deeds on file. Not executed. Made 15th July, 1823.

Deeds ordered by the Governor and Judges, but not executed.

Grantee.	Date.	Year.	No.	Sec.
Thomas Smith			50	4
Pompey blackman			24	7
Governor Hull	2600-1600-1024	Total 5304		

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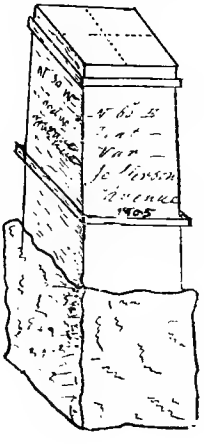

Catherine McNiff			59	2
John Conner			5	1
Mr. Frerot			22	7
Robert and James Abbott...			40	3
Sarah Abbott			75	7
Sarah Town			52	6
Robt. Fleming			100	2
Catherine Mettez			45	1
Ephraim Town			53	6
John Palmer			81 park lot	
Betsey Horner	Mar. 28	1807	50	7
J. B. Comparet	Jan. 22	1807	50	4
Francais Cobeille	Jan. 21	1807	8	1
Urselle Cadorette.....	Jan. 21	1807	51	4
Peter Desnoyer	Feb. 23	1807	57	4
Baptiste Allard	Mar. 28	1807	71	8
John Dillet	Feb. 4	1807	35	7
Andrew Dexter (duplicate)..	Mar. 13	1809	11, 12	1
Mrs. La Foy	Jan. 28	1807	31	7
United States of America...	Feb. 11	1807	12	4
Solomon Sibley	No date		40, 70, 80 park lot	
Therese Peltier	Jan. 28	1807	29	8
Jos. Watson	Jan. 9	1812	104	4
Sarah Sibley	No date		66	1
Catherine McNiff	Jan. 9	1802	72	4
Blank	No date		66	7
"	" "		63	1
"	" "		4	1
"	" "		9	1
"	" "		8	1
"	" "		182	4
"	" "		7	1
"	" "		74	1
Blank	No date		6	1
"	" "		2	1
"	" "		10	8
"	" "		62	2
"	" "		61	2
"	" "		64	2
Sarah Abbott	No date		57	3

Jos. Watson	" "		5304 sq. ft.	
James Henry	Apr. 7	1809	17160 sq. ft.	
Israel Hunt	No date		6	1
Mary A. Scott	Mar. 28	1807	35	8
John Harvey	Jan. 9	1807	3	4
Abijah Hull	Aug. 28	1807	40, 41	1
Joseph Voyer	Mar. 28	1807	50	8
Elizabeth Curry	Mar. 28	1807	33	7
Robt. and Jas. Abbott	Jan. 22	1807	41	3
John Anderson	Jan. 21	1807	27	8
Abijah Hull	Aug. 8	1807	84, 85	1
Archibald Horner heirs	No date		28, 29 park lots	
John Palmer	No date		20	12
Francis Gouin	December	1816	Blank	
Mary Longdon	December	1816	99	2
Thos. Carr	December	1816	51	7
Morris Williams		1821	54	6
John S. Robey	Oct. 30	1820	10	8
Thos. Smith		1800	101	3

Memorial, filed April 11, 1825:

To the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan, sitting as a Land Board under the Act of Congress, to settle and adjust titles to land in the City of Detroit:

The petition of the undersigned, citizens of the City of Detroit, respectfully represent that they understand a fractional lot, so-called, lying between the lots of O. and L. Cook and Joseph Campau, in section 2 of said City, is advertised to be sold this day at auction; that the said supposed fraction of a lot has always been used, occupied and enjoyed as a public alley of the said City, in the same manner as the alley on the opposite side of Jefferson Avenue, over against the said supposed fraction; that the present occupants of the lots adjoining the said fraction, purchased with the understanding that the same was an alley, to the use of which as an alley they, as well as the Citizens of Detroit, had a right.

They therefore pray that the sale of the said fraction may be suspended this day that time may be given to those interested to

make inquiry or take such steps in the premises as may be deemed convenient and proper.

ADNA MERRITT.	MELVIN DORR.
ELEANOR REID.	PETER J. DESNOYERS.
SIMON POUPARD.	CONRAD SEEK.
JOHN HALE.	C. S. PAYNE.
E. CONVERSE.	LEVI BROWN.
JOS. CAMPAU.	JOHN PALMER.
LEVI COOK.	

Joseph Watson's certificate respecting Catharine Godfroy. Donation lot. Claimed by Major Torrey, 28 October, 1829.

I certify that I well recollect that whilst I was acting as secretary to the Governor and Judges of Michigan as Commissioners under the act of the 21st April, 1806, a deed was prepared by me and signed by them to Catharine Godfroy, afterwards Mrs. Voyer, for a donation lot to which she had been decided to be entitled under the aforesaid act. I also well recollect that in all cases where the quantity contained in a lot exceeded five thousand feet, which was often the case in consequence of the shape of the sections, the deeds in such case were retained by me until the surplus was paid for, either at two cents per foot for lots in sections one and two or of one half of a cent per foot for those in the other sections, and if Catharine Godfroy's lot contained an excess as in my impression the deed was retained for this reason. An impression also rests on my mind that the excess of those lots arranged to the third class by the Committee appointed in 1807 to adjust the titles to lots was by resolution of Commissioners released on account of a disproportion in value, but without reference to the records, I cannot recollect to which class Catharine Godfroy was arranged.

JOS. WATSON.

Detroit, 28 October, 1829.

Certificate in favor of Ira Waite, administrator on estate of Obed Waite.

It is hereby certified that on a final settlement of the account of Ira Waite, administrator on the estate of Obed Waite, deceased, for the said Obed, superintending in the erection of a Court House in the City of Detroit, agreeably to the provisions of the Act of Congress of April twenty-first, one thousand eight

hundred and six, there is due to the said Ira Waite, as administrator aforesaid, or to bearer, one hundred dollars of which this certificate is given in evidence, and which shall entitle him or bearer at any public sales of the land granted by the said Act of Congress, to bid thereupon to that amount, provided, however, that the Governor and Judges for the Territory of Michigan, reserve the right of fixing a minimum value upon the said land offered and provided also, that no interest be allowed upon this certificate. By order of said Governor and Judges.

Detroit, 12 November, 1829.

LEWIS B. STURGES,
Secretary.

It is hereby certified that on a final settlement of the account of Ira Waite, administrator on the estate of Obed Waite, deceased, for the said Obed, superintending in the erection of a Court House in the City of Detroit, in the Territory of Michigan, agreeably to the provisions of the Act of Congress of April twenty-first, one thousand eight hundred and six, there is due to said Ira Waite, as administrator aforesaid, or to bearer, two hundred and twenty-two dollars, of which this certificate is given in evidence, and which shall entitle him or bearer at any public sales of the land granted by the said Act of Congress, to bid thereupon to that amount, provided however, that the Governor and Judges for said Territory reserve the right of fixing a minimum value upon the said land offered, and provided also that no interest be allowed upon this certificate. By order of said Governor and Judges.

LEWIS B. STURGES,
Secretary.

Detroit, 12 November, 1829.

Letter to Major Biddle on the subject of the public Building, etc. Filed November 30, 1829:

Copy 500 words 5/—

To the Hon. John Biddle:

We, the common council of the City of Detroit, beg leave to call your attention to the subject of getting a law passed by Congress for the transfer of the residue of the Military property in this place to the corporation of this city; the importance of the measure particularly with a view to a speedy removal of the

Magazine is too well known to you to need any comment from us. The site selected by Capt. Perkins to be received by the United States in exchange for their property here and which appears to be the most eligible for Military purposes is Springwells, and as there is a difficulty in obtaining a valid title for that property, we would suggest the propriety of ascertaining whether Congress would pass a law authorizing the taking of so much of it as may be wanted for Military purposes, we paying the amount for which it may be appraised.

We have understood that there might be some opposition to the removal of the quartermaster's department from this place and consequently of the transfer of so much of the property owned by the United States as is occupied by that department, we think it would be best to get a transfer of the whole of the property if practicable but we would not strenuously insist upon it. We would also suggest the propriety of having a proviso in the law authorizing the conveyance of the property to any individual in case of a failure on the part of the corporation to comply with its requirements. We have here given you our general views on this subject and rely with the most perfect confidence on your judgment and ability for the accomplishment of the object as shall be most for the interest of this city.

The Common Council are most solicitous for the immediate removal of the magazine now situated in the City. You are fully aware of the apprehension of most of our citizens on this subject. The Common Council several years since executed a bond, which has been accepted by the war department for the amount deemed sufficient for the erection of a magazine agreeably to the provision of the Act of Congress, approved May 20, 1826, and we trust, even if you should fail in procuring the exchange above mentioned, that you will procure an appropriation for the purchase of a site for a magazine without the limits of the city, so that a building may be immediately erected, and the old magazine removed.

Abstract of lots to be examined:

LOTS TO BE EXAMINED.

Section 1.

51	56	Next to Methodist Church.
63	69	See Dr. Brown.
64	70	See Dr. Brown.

Section 2.

	6	Jeff. Avenue, next to No. 5, corner of Jeff. Avenue and Griswold Street.
	7	See Apendix Catholic Church.
41	48	Cut through by Griswold Street.
42	49	Cut through by Griswold Street.
	68	On Larned Street, rear of 6 and 7. See Apendix Catholic Church.
	69	On Larned Street, rear of 7. See Apendix Catholic Church.
	80	Larned and Wayne.
84 to	92	Supposed to be in Military Reservation.
	94	Cut through by Griswold Street.

Section 3.

	46	On Woodbridge Street and W. of G. Meldrum, which is 45.
	47	Next to 45, Charles Larned.
37	53	Rich. Smythe.
39	55	Corner of W. Ave., and Wood. St., opposite J. Anderson.
40	56	On Wood. Ave., next S. of 55.
42	107	Mary Seek. Deed executed May 11, 1807, and recorded. Relinquished by Gabriel Godfroy, Junior. Next south of 108.
41	108	On W. A., next to 56. These 4 lots are together on W. A. 107 is corner of W. A. and Atwater St.

Section 4.

52	56	Deed executed February 11, 1807. Donation to Ann Coates for lot No. 52 and recorded in book No. 1, P. 13, February 13, 1807, A. C. December 13, 1809, conveyed said lot to Francis Lapage with the following boundaries: "being lot No. 52 in section 4, beginning at the most southwestern corner and running thence north 60 degrees, east 50 feet; thence north 30 degrees, west 80 feet; thence south 60 degrees, west 50 feet; thence south 30 degrees, east 80 feet to the place of beginning, containing about 4,000 square feet. 1811, June 26. Frank Lapage and Catharine Mete dit Lapage assigned the deed to Antoine Lasselle,

1817, February 21. Antoine Lasselle conveyed the lot to Louise De Valcourt.

The new plan of the city was adopted April 7, 1807.

57 61 Gabriel Godfroy lots. These lots on the new plan
58 62 are the same as 57 and 58, old plan.

These lots corner on W. A. and W. St.

76 75 and 77 are conveyed to S. Sibley, assignee of Gabriel Richard. Enquire of J. R. Williams. Ladouceur or Meldrum & Park.

188 Fraction sold to Elliot Gray, October 11, 1834.

189 to 195 Water lots unsold.

Section No. 6.

55 54 Maurice Willermy, Deed Executed Dec. 17, 1808. March 23, 1821. Application made by M. Willermy for the renewal of a deed of this lot formerly granted him as a donation and claim rejected. Deed on file unexecuted. Adv. last fall and not sold.

81 79 See abstract to whom does this lot belong, one granted to Joseph Pinard and then to Jacob Nado. John Farmer and Carpenter.

Section 7.

21 21 Advertised last and not sold. Charles Gouin, Jr.
30 31 Marian Monette. See Journal.
31 32 Marian Monette. See Journal, pp. 65, 70.
22 23 Thos. Mahony. Relinquished. Sold.
35 36 Adv. last fall and not sold.
42 42 Sold to R. Gillett. last fall and not paid for.
33 34 E. Curry. Deed recorded.
34 35 See Journal, Ps. 70-100.
72 75 Cecil Renau. Sarah Abbot. Enquire.
32 33 Sold at auction to John McDonell, P. 223. Was it paid for?

Section 8.

2 See Journal, P. 221-246. Thos. Palmer, September 9, 1831.

8 Deed to Pierre Bezeau. Chas. Larned claims, P. 268.

36 37 Sold to B. Campeau, P. 210.

41 42 Margaret Welch. Chas Larned, claimant. Adv. & not sold.
81 George Welch. N. Prouty, claimant, p. 268.
20 Adv. last fall and not sold. Wm. Scott, etc.
27 28 Deed ordered to John Anderson.
39 40 Sold at auction to E. Converse, P. 223. Adv. last fall and not sold.
44 46 Relinquished by Farnsworth, P. 269. Enquire of E. F.

Section 9.

4 Thomas Palmer. Palmer has a deed of this lot, P. 98-140-142. Enquire of Palmer.
5 Thomas Palmer, P. 88, July 25, 1834. Enquire of Palmer.
67 Advertised last year and not sold.

Section 10.

All disposed of.
11 Enquire of Palmer at what time he got his deed.
13 Enquire of Palmer. 25 July, 1823.

Section 11.

13 Adv. last fall and not sold.
17 See when Palmer got his deed, 25 July, 1823.
19 See when Palmer got his deed, 25 July, 1823.
22 See when Palmer got his deed, 25 July, 1823.
24 See when Palmer got his deed, 25 July, 1823.
26 See when Palmer got his deed, 25 July, 1823.
28 See when Palmer got his deed, 25 July, 1823.
These deeds on January, 1824.
65 Adv. last fall and not sold, fraction.
68 Not in the Brush line. Do.
69 Do. Do. Fraction.
66 Do. Do.
61 Do. Thos. Palmer has a deed.

Section No. 12.

12 Adv. last fall and not sold.
29 Thos. Palmer. See when he got deed, 25 July, 1823.
30 No conveyance.
31 When did Palmer get deed, 25 July, 1823.
68 Do. 23 July, 1829.

69 Adv. and not sold.
70 Palmer. See date of deed. 20 July, 1831.
71 Do. Do. Do.

Section 9.

57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62. July 29, 1831.

Abstract of lots to inquire about:

ABSTRACT OF LOTS UNACCOUNTED FOR.

Old.	New.	Section No. 1.
		Woodward, Jefferson and Michigan Avenues, and Brush line.
51	56	Next to Methodist Church on Woodward Avenue. Adv. last fall and not sold.
63, 64	69, 70	See Dr. Brown as to these lots.
		For proceedings with Catholic Church, see page 278.
		Jeff., Wood., Larned, Wayne, Griswold, Camp. Martius.

Section No. 2.

	6	On Jefferson Avenue, next W. of No. 5.
P. 148, 7		Corner of Griswold Street. Folio 2 (upper).
P. 150		Quaere. These two lots supposed to be sold to Palmer and McInstry, April 25, 1825—Jour., p. 148.
		No. 18 is a fractional lot corner of Jeff. Avenue and Wayne Street, and sold to Governor Cass.
	19	Military Reservation.
17	20	Military Reservation.
18	21	Military Reservation.
19	22	Military Reservation.
25	29	Military Reservation.
26	30	Military Reservation.
27	31	Military Reservation.
28	32	Military Reservation.
	33	Parts of 43, 44 & 45 to heirs of Wm. Robertson; this is a mistake. These lots are in Jour. No. 3, ps. 195, 196.
	44	These lots are not on Farmer's Map.
41	48	This lot ditto.
42	49	Cut through by Griswold St., near Fort St.

68 On Larned street west of No. 67, corner of Gris-
69 wold street. Lot supposed in Catholic Church.
80 Not numbered on the map. Supposed to be corner of Larned and Wayne.
84 to 92 Not on the map. Supposed to be Military Reservation.
94 See Journal, pages 251, 253.

Section No. 3.

Bounded north by Jefferson Avenue, east by Woodward Ave., South by the River and west by the Military Reserve.

Nos. 19 and 20 lie west of Wayne Street, and corner on the Reserve on Jeff. Avenue. H. J. Hunt's lots.

21 to 34 Not on the map and belong to the Military R.
43, 44 On east side of Shelby, 44 is corner of Shelby and Woodward street. Wm. Robertson.
See pages 195 and 196.
46, 47 On Woodbridge Street.
55 Corner of Woodward Ave. and Woodbridge street. Street.
56 On Woodward Avenue.
75 to 89 Military Reserve.
88, 89 Public wharf.

Section No. 4.

North by Jeff. Avenue, east, Brush line; S, River; W. Woodward Avenue. No. 1, corner of Jeff. and Wood. Aves.

16 to 50 inclusive. Brush line.

52 56 D. B. Cole in possession. Lot 52 granted to Ann Coats, February 11, 1807; A. C. Francis Lapage, F. and D. A. Lasselle, A. Laselle and Louise Devalcourt.
57 61 On Wood. Ave.
58 62 Corner of Wood. Ave. and Woodbridge street.
76 On Woodbridge street, second lot above Bates St., south side.
188 Sold to E. Gray.
189 to 195 Water lots appear not to have been sold.

Section No. 6.

South by Michigan Ave., Monroe Ave. and Brush line.

55 54 Maurice Willermy. Advertised last fall and not sold.

81 79 Deed ordered to J. Nado, December 15, 1808. Quaere, was it ever granted?

Section No. 7.

Monroe Ave., Wood. Ave. and Miami Ave.

21 21 Charles Gouin, Jr. Advertised last fall and not sold.

30 31 Enquire.

31 32 Enquire in Journal, pp. 65 and 70; No. 23, also relinquished.

35 36 Enquire. Adv. last fall and not sold.

41 42 Sold to R. Gillett Nov 25, 1833. Payment not made.

53 55 Methodist Church. Enquire, see ps. 32 and 68; deed signed and delivered.

54 56 Methodist Church. Enquire, see ps. 32 and 68; deed signed and delivered.

72 75 Cecile Reneau, Sarah Abbott. Enquire.

34 Relinquished by Teunis Wendell. Enquire.

35 Relinquished by Teunis Wendell. Enquire; pp. 100, 255, 260, 70.

28 Lewis Davenport claims a deed of this lot for Obed Wait, see p. 282, also p. 223.

Section 8.

Woodward, Michigan and Washington Avenues.

2 Deed to Wm. Scott, Sarah Macomb page 221 and Thos. Palmer, page 246. Enquire.

8 Deed to Pierre Bezeau, Chas. Larned, claims, page 208. Enquire.

37 Thos. Palmer. Enquire. Sold to B. Campau, P 210.

41 42 Margaret Welch, Chas. Larned, claim. Adv. & not sold.

81 George Welch. N. Prouty. Claims. P. 265.

Section 9.

Miami and Madison Avenue & Brush line.

P. 98, 4 Thos. Palmer. Enquire. See p. 239.

5 Thos. Palmer. Enquire. See p. 88, 25th July, 1823.
8 Thos. Palmer. Enquire. Deed recpt by T. P., 29th July, 1831.
55 Brush farm. Enquire.
56 Brush farm. Enquire.
73 to 77 P. 98. Thos. Palmer. Enquire part Brush line.
67 Adv. and not sold. Situated among the lots granted to the Catholic Church, but is not in the deed.

Section No. 10.

Washington, Michigan, Macomb Avenues and Cass line.

33 Enquire. Conv'd. Thos. Palmer. 1829, July 22. P. 193.
62 Enquire. Conv'd. Thos. Palmer. 1829, July 22.
78 Enquire. Conv'd. Thos. Palmer. 1829, July 23. P. 194.

Section No. 11.

Madison and Adams A. & Brush line.

12 Part Brush line. Enquire.
13 Enquire. Advertised last fall and not sold. Fraction.
17 Enquire. Thos. Palmer. See his receipt.
19 Enquire. Thos. Palmer. See his receipt.
22 Enquire. Thos. Palmer. See his receipt.
24 Enquire. Thos. Palmer. See his receipt.
26 Enquire. Thos. Palmer. See his receipt.
28 Enquire. Thos. Palmer. See his receipt.
62 Enquire. B. line.
63 Enquire. B. line.
64 Enquire. B. line.
65 Enquire. Adv. & not sold. Fraction.
66 Enquire. Adv. & not sold. Fraction.
68 Enquire. Adv. & not sold.
69 Enquire. Adv. & not sold.

Section No. 12.

Macomb & Adams Aves. and Cass line.

Donation 11 Enquire. Hannah, black woman. In lieu of 51, sec. 6. See Journal, p. 31, 32.

12 Enquire. Adv. & not sold.
30 Enquire.
69 Enquire. Adv. & not sold.

Park Lots.
All sold.
Ten Thousand Acres.
All sold; not certain. Examined.

As to lots 35, 38, 52, 54, all receipted by Palmer.
All dated July 25, 1823.

Section 8. Lots omitted.

20 A Deed on file purporting to have been executed to Wm. Scott, Admr. of Abner C. Ackley Donation. Advertised last fall and not sold.
27 28 Deed ordered to John Anderson. Adv. and not sold.
39 40 Advertised and not sold. Sold at auction to E. Converse Sept. 9, 1829. See page 223.
46 Relinquished by Farnsworth, P. 269.

The abstract made by Brush is brought down to Dec. 1825, Ps. 152, 154.
Attended October 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, Nov. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 13, 14, 15.

Section No. 9.

ABSTRACT OF LOTS SOLD BY THE GOVERNOR AND JUDGES.

No.
4 Thomas Palmer, part of (Brush line, part of). Enquire.
5 " " " "
6 " " " "
7 Francis Gowen.
8 Thomas Palmer. Deed receipted by T. P.
9 " "
10 " " page 203.
11 " " " "
12 " " " "
13 " "
14 " "
15 " "
16 " "
17 " "

18 Thomas Palmer.
19 " "
20 " "
21 " "
22 " "
23 " "
24 " "
25 " "
26 " "
27 " "
28 " "
29 to 33 inclusive. Catholic Church.
34 Part of Brush line.
35 to 54 inclusive, Brush line.
55 Part of Brush line.
56
57 T. Palmer.
58 T. Palmer.
59 " "
60 " "
61 " "
62 " "
63 to 71 inclusive, Catholic Church.
72 Brush line. Fraction. Not sold.
73 " " Thomas Palmer Fraction. Not sold.
74 " " " "
75 " " " "
76 Brush line.
77 " " to T. Palmer.
78 to 82 inclusive. Brush line.

Section No. 10.

ABSTRACT OF LOTS SOLD BY THE GOVERNOR AND JUDGES.

1 and 2. Charles Larned. No. 2, Thos. Palmer reconveyed, page 246.
3 Jno. S. Roby.
4 Thomas Rowland.
5 " "
6 " "
7 " "

8 " "
9 " "
10 Thomas Palmer.
11 " "
12 Thomas Palmer reconveyed, page 246.
13 " "
14 " "
15 to 28 Alexander Macomb.
29 and 30 Deed ordered to T. Palmer.
31 and 32 T. Palmer.
33 T. Palmer.
34, 35, 36 T. Palmer.
37 Part Cass line, T. Palmer.
38 to 50 Cass line. T. Palmer fraction of each, No. 38 and 50.
51 Part of Cass line, J. R. Williams.
52 Jno. R. Williams.
53 T. Rowland.
54 J. R. Williams.
55 T. Rowland.
56 T. Rowland.
57 to 61 T. Palmer. See page 172.
62 T. Palmer. See his receipt for deed.
63 to 66 T. Palmer.
67 Alexander Macomb.
68, 77 T. Palmer.
78 Fraction T. Palmer.
79 Jno. R. Williams.
80 " " "
81 Sylvester Day.
82 Cass line.

Section No. 11.

ABSTRACT OF LOTS SOLD BY THE GOVERNOR AND JUDGES AS DONATIONS.

1 to 12 Brush line.
12 Part of Brush line.
13 Governor and judges.
14 T. Palmer.
15 T. Palmer.
16 " "

17 " " See receipt.
18 " "
19 " " See receipt.
20 " "
21 " "
22 " " See receipt, January, 1824.
23 " "
24 T. Palmer. See receipt.
25 " "
26 " " See receipt.
27 T. Palmer.
28 " " See receipt.
29 " "
30 Brush line (part of) T. Palmer.
31 T. Palmer.
32 a 41 Brush line.
42 a 60 Brush line.
61 Brush line, T. Palmer.
62 Brush line, part of.
63 Brush line.
64 Brush line.
65 Gov. and Judges. Adv. and not sold.
66 Brush line, part of Gov. and Judges, not sold.
67 T. Palmer.
68 a 80 Brush line. 68 & 69 are not in the Brush line.

Section No. 12.

ABSTRACT OF LOTS SOLD BY THE GOVERNOR AND JUDGES.

1 a 10 Cass line.
11 Cass line (part of) Hannah (black woman).
12 Adv. and not sold.
13 T. Palmer.
14 T. Palmer.
15 Sold to S. Mack.
16 " " "
17 Sold to S. Mack.
18 Sold to S. Mack.
19 " " Dr. McKoskry.
20 John Palmer.
21 Jno. R. Williams.
22 " " "

23 Jno. Palmer.
24 Sold to Dr. McKoskry.
25 Sold to S. Mack.
26 Sold to S. Mack.
27 Sold to S. Mack.
28 " " " "
29 Thomas Palmer.
30
31 T. Palmer.
32 Thomas Palmer.
33 " "
34 Cass line (part of) T. Palmer.
35 a 60 Cass line. No 35 fractional. T. Palmer.
61 part of Cass line T. Palmer (within the Cass line entire).
62 part of Cass line T. Palmer (within the Cass line entire).
63 part of Cass line T. Palmer.
64 T. Palmer.
65 T. Palmer.
66 T. Palmer.
67 T. Palmer.
68 T. Palmer.
69 Adv. and not sold.
70 T. Palmer.
71 T. Palmer.
72 Cass line, part of T. Palmer.
73 a 84 Cass line

Mem. of balances dues to the Detroit Fund.

Due by James Anderson	$ 80.00
" " Conrad Seek	23.00
" " *James Henry	100.00
" " *Benj. Woodworth	21.20
" " *Jean Simare	100.00
" " *Jean Bte. Picquet	85.90
" " E. Brush on lot 9, section 1	62.04
" " *G. Godfroy, Jr., by note	18.18¾
" " *Mary Abbott	17.08
" " *R. and J. Abbott	62.04
	$589.54¾

(Note. Handwriting of Joseph Watson.)

No. 53.

Abijah Hull acct, Territory of Michigan, payable from the Detroit Fund.

Territory of Michigan,

To Abijah Hull, Dr.

To my services as a surveyor from the first of May, 1807, to the last of September following, at the rate of 250 dollars per year, is $104.16.

Treasurer's Office,
Detroit, October 1, 1807.

I have examined the above account of Abijah Hull against the Territory and have audited the same at one hundred and four dollars sixteen cents and do certify that there is that sum due him, payable from the Detroit Fund.

E. Brush,
Treasurer.

Warrant on the Treasurer, No. 53:

E. Brush, Treasurer of the Territory of Michigan, is authorized and required to pay to Abijah Hull, one hundred four dollars, sixteen cents, according to the Certificate hereunto annexed.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Territory, the 22nd day of December, 1807.

By the Governor,

S. Griswold,
Secretary of Michigan Territory.

Recd at the Treasurer's office, Dec. 22, 1807, one hundred dollars on the within account.

Abijah Hull.

Received also, April 22, 1808, the further sum of four dollars on this account. Abijah Hull.

E. Brush, treasurer, in account with the Detroit Fund, commencing April 5, and ending September 30, 1808.

No. 4.

The Detroit Fund, in account current with Elijah Brush, Treasurer, commencing April 1, and ending September 30, 1808,

1808.		Dr.
April 22.	To cash in warrants, Nos. 32-3 and 4, paid to Abijah Hull for his services and advances made in surveying, as per his accounts and warrants Nos. 35-57	$ 7

Aug. 1.	To do. paid Stanley Griswold* in do., Nos. 35-6 for three toise of stone for the use of the wells on the common as per his accounts and warrants	30
Sept. 30.	To balance in the hands of the Treasurer carried to new accounts	11.96¼
		$48.96¼

*No voucher.

1808.	Cr.	
April 1.	By balance brought from old account of March 31, 1808	$11.96¼
April 22.	By amount of Warrants issued to Abijah Hull, Nos. 32-3 and 4, for his services and advances made for surveying.....	7.
Aug. 1.	By amount of do 35 and 6, issued to Stanley Griswold for three toise of stone furnished for the use of the wells on the common.....	30.
		$48.96¼

Treasurer's office, City of Detroit, September 30, 1808.

E. Brush,
Treasurer.

Detroit Fund with Aaron Greeley, May 9th, 1809:

The Detroit Fund,

1809.	To Aaron Greeley,		Dr.
		$	$
To surveying and bounding on the domain 86 lots from 5 to 10 acres each, 1930 chains at $3, per 80 chains, or $3, per mile		72.27½	
Making plan for the same.....		8.	
39 certificates for the same at $.62½ each..		24.37½	
53 certificates for city lots at $.62½ each..		33.12½	
Attendance on the Board.....		6.	
Assistance to Mr. Watson.....		2.	145.77½
			$145.77½

Detroit, 9th May, 1809.

Aaron Greeley,
Deputy Surveyor.

Received the above amount in an order on the Treasurer of the Detroit Fund, which when satisfied will be in full of all demands to this day.

Witness my hand at Detroit this 9th May, 1809.

AARON GREELEY.

Letter from the treasurer of the Detroit Fund, October 10, 1816:

Detroit, 16th October, 1816.

The Treasurer of the Detroit Fund hath the honor of transmitting his Account to the Legislative Board from the 1st May last, down to this date, by which it appears there is a balance in the fund of $235.86½, subject however to a deduction of $50 which will be due him on the 9th next month for his sallary as Treasurer of the Detroit Fund, all which is most respectfully submitted by the board's most obedient servant,

ROBERT ABBOTT.

Treasurer's Report of the Detroit Fund placed on file October 16, 1816.

Addressed to the Honbl., the Legislative Board, Detroit.

Note. B. Stead and A. Edwards to the Detroit Fund for $125 payable 26th day of May, 1818, interest from 26th Nov., 1817. 1817.

Cancelled. R. Abbott, Treas.

On or before the twenty-sixth day of May next (1818), we, the undersigned promise to pay to the Governor and Judges of the Territory of Michigan acting as commissioners under an Act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment of Titles of Land in the Town of Detroit and Territory of Michigan and for other purposes." The sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, until paid, to be computed from the 26th day of November last (1817), being one-fourth part of the purchase money of lot numbered fifty in section numbered three, in the City of Detroit, purchased from said commissioners at auction on the said 26th Nov., 1817. In witness whereof we have hereto set our hands and seals at Detroit this 31st day of December, A. D. 1817.

B. STEAD.

A. EDWARDS.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of

GEO. MCDOUGALL,

Witness.

Certificate of Board of Commissioners, $100 in lieu of donation lot, cancelled May 12, 1819:

This certifies that there is due from the Detroit Fund to the Rev. Gabriel Richard the sum of one hundred dollars in lieu of a donation lot to which he, the said Richard, was entitled pursuant to the Act of Congress in this behalf made and provided. Signed at Detroit, this third day of July, A. D. 1811, in obedience to an order of the Commissioners under the aforesaid Act of the Congress.

JAMES WITHERELL,
President of the Board of Commissioners.

Note, McKinstry and Wing, due 31st December, 1822:

$250

On or before the thirty-first day of December next, for value received, we, jointly and severally, promise to pay to Robert Abbott, Esquire, Treasurer of the Detroit Fund, or to his successor in the office, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from the twenty-first day of March present.

Detroit, March 25, 1822.

DAVID C. MCKINSTRY.
A. E. WING.

See lot No. 49, sec. 3. Paid by S. Conant, Nov.

Note, McKinstry and Wing, due 1823:

$250.

On or before the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, for value received, we, jointly and severally, promise to pay to Robert Abbott, Esquire, Treasurer of the Detroit Fund, or his successor in office, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, with interest, at the rate of six per cent per annum, from the twenty-first day of March present.

Detroit, March 25, 1822.

DAVID C. MCKINSTRY.
A. E. WING.

See lot No. 49, section 3. Paid.

Note, McKinstry and Wing, due 1824.

$250.

On or before the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, for value received, we, jointly and severally, promise to pay to Robert Abbott, Esquire, Treas-

urer of the Detroit Fund, or his successor in office, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, from the twenty-first day of March present.

Detroit, March 25, 1822.

DAVID C. MCKINSTRY.
A. E. WING.

See lot No. 49, section 3.

Theodore Holden, W. W. Petit to Robert Abbott, Treasurer, Note:

$17.25.

On the thirty-first day of December next, we promise to pay to Robert Abbott, Treasurer of the Detroit Fund, or to his successor in said office, seventeen dollars and twenty-five cents, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from this date until paid for value received.

Detroit, April 22, 1822.

$17.25.

One-half of lot 60 in section 7.

THEODORE HOLDEN.
W. W. PETIT.

On the thirty-first day of December, 1823, (twenty-three), we promise to pay to Robert Abbott, Treasurer of the Detroit Fund, or to his successor in office, seventeen dollars and twenty-five cents, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from this date until paid, for value received.

Detroit, April 22, 1822.

$17.25.

THEODORE HOLDEN.
W. W. PETIT.

Schedule of debts due the Detroit Fund, 25th April, 1823:

Schedule of debts due the Detroit Fund are:

Thomas Coquillard, bal. due	$ 121.75
Theodore Holden and Wm. Petit, 4 notes	69.00
A. G. Whitney and Peter J. Desnoyer	135.00
A. G. Whitney and Jas. McCloskey, bal	44.32
Theodore Holden and Wm. Petit, 4 notes	50.00
Calvin Baker and Thos. Palmer's note	361.89
Thomas Rowland and John Hunt	95.00
Thomas Rowland and John Hunt	70.00

D. C. McKinstry and A. E. Wing, 4 notes..... 1000.00
Jas. McCloskey and H. J. Hunt's note..... 800.00

$2746.90

Detroit, 23d April, 1823.
ROBERT ABBOTT.

Theodore Holden, W. W. Petit, to Robt. Abbott, Treas. Note, $17.25. Int. to 22d December, $15.18
69.00

$84.18

On the thirty-first day of December, 1824 (twenty-four), we promise to pay to Robert Abbott, Treasurer of the Detroit Fund, or to his successor in office, seventeen dollars and twenty-five cents, with interest at the rate of six percent per annum, from this date until paid, for value received.

Detroit, April 22, 1822.
$17.25.

THEODORE HOLDEN.
W. W. PETIT.

On the thirty-first day of December, 1825, (twenty-five), we promise to pay to Robert Abbott, Treasurer of the Detroit Fund, or to his successor in office, seventeen dollars and twenty-five cents, with interest at the rate of six percent per annum, from this date until paid, for value received.

Detroit, April 22, 1822.
$17.25.

THEODORE HOLDEN.
W. W. PETIT.

Dr. Wm. Brown, statement respecting E. Brush's Estate, Jefferson Avenue, 27 August, 1829:

I was present with Col. Elijah Brush, late of Detroit, at the time he made an entry in his book as Treasurer of the Detroit Fund against the Fund, for land falling within the continuation of Jefferson Avenue. Col. Brush stated that the Board had agreed with him to pay him, for the ground falling within the street, a certain quantity of land elsewhere—to pay him for removing certain buildings, and to continue the street through. That the Board had neither continued the street, nor paid him for

the ground taken by them, and he therefore considered it just that he should charge the Board for the land. Col. Brush consulted me upon the subject of making the charge, and I advised it. I considered it at the time a fair charge, and told Col. Brush that under similar circumstances I should make it. I am satisfied that if Col. Brush had lived, no part of that charge would ever have been paid by him, under existing circumstances.

He also said, that Colonel Proctor had demanded the public property in the hands of citizens here, and that if he did not now secure his claim he should lose it. He apprehended that he would be called upon by the Commanding Officer for the balance appearing against him, and that it was better to settle his claim at once, and avoid paying anything to the British Government. And in this opinion I concurred.

WM. BROWN.

Detroit, August 27, 1829.

Abstract of lots unsold:

Park lots and Ten Thousand Acre Tract, April 2, 1835, Detroit Fund.

All the park lots conveyed. Also the ten thousand acre tract.

Statement of lots belonging to the Fund at this date, April 2, 1835:

Section No. 1, lot No. 56. Hathon says this lot contains 25 feet in front after filing the deed executed.

July 1. Sold to Young Mens Society.

Section No. 3, lot No. 108. James Abbott in possession.
104. Claimed by Campau.
114. Not sold. See Journal 1831, P. 232. Sold by the Corporation for 25 years.

Section No. 4 lot No. 76. Judge Sibley says this lot was granted George Meldrum. I find no conveyance of it.

Deed has been granted for lot in front of J. Hale to carry his lot to the channel of River.

Deed has been granted for lot in front of O. Cook to carry his lot to the channel of River.

Deed has been granted for lot in front of J. Roberts to carry his lot to the channel of River.

Deeds are ordered for Cook and Hale. Consideration not paid.

Section No. 7—Lots Nos. 21, 31, 42, 27, 61, 62 claimed by Mrs. Dubois.

Section No. 7, Lot No. 33. is probably the property of the Fund.

Section No. 8, Lots No. 8 and 42. Claimed by C. Larned. Claim allowed.

Lots Nos. 20, 28, 40, 46 and 67.

Lot No. 81 claimed by N. Prouty. Allowed.

Section No. 9. Lots No. 72, 73. (Fractions). On the Brush line.

Section No. 11. Lots No. 13, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69. Deeded to Thos Palmer.

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